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TWENTY-NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

ASSOCIATED WHOLESALE GROCERS,

INC., et al.,

Plaintiffs, Case No.

V. 10CV2171

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5 Exhibit 582 Document Bates stamped UE 0317733 664	5 deposition of Mr. Greg Hinton.
⁶ Exhibit 583 Document Bates stamped 662	6 EXAMINATION BY COUNSEL FOR PLAINTIFF
⁷ RA 0002299 through 06	⁷ BY MR. STUEVE:
⁸ Exhibit 584 Urner Barry egg quote for 669	⁸ Q. Mr. Hinton, you understand you are
⁹ Thursday, August 9, 2007	⁹ still under oath?
¹⁰ Exhibit 585 Urner Barry egg quote 675	¹⁰ A. Yes.
Exhibit 586 Document Bates stamped 678	Q. All right. If you could, turn
¹² UE 0095810 through 5811	back to topic number 7. You'll see that there's
Exhibit 587 Document Bates stamped 681	how you determine the price of the eggs and egg
¹⁴ RA 0042370	products, you market and sell to any grocery
Exhibit 588 Document Bates stamped 684	cooperative or grocery wholesaler. Do you see
16 UE 0457968 through 71	16 that?
Exhibit 589 Document Bates stamped 685	17 A. Yes.
18 UE 0316921 to 22	¹⁸ Q. We spent quite a bit of time
Exhibit 590 Document Bates stamped 686	yesterday talking about how Rose Acre prices
²⁰ UE 0526344 through 46	both its commodity eggs and its specialty eggs;
Exhibit 591 Document Bates stamped 688	²¹ correct?
²² RAFKS 0011622	A. We talked a lot about specialty
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eggs, not much about commodity eggs.	¹ Q. Cal-Maine?
² Q. I asked you about your commodity	² A. Market. Urner Barry market.
ggs and you testified repeatedly what you would	³ Q. AWG?
do is you would negotiate based off of an Urner	⁴ A. Urner Barry market.
5 Barry?	⁵ Q. Now, focusing on that 2000 to 2012
⁶ A. Urner Barry, correct.	timeframe, what percentage of your commodity
⁷ Q. And cents back on Urner Barry; is	eggs were based off of priced off of Urner
8 that correct?	8 Barry?
9 MR. BARNES: Let him finish.	⁹ A. It changed over the years because
You're talking over each other. But you can go	we used the Rose Acre market we discussed
¹¹ ahead.	before, also. So I think yesterday I talked
12 BY MR. STUEVE:	about that in 2000 early in 2000s, we had as
Q. Is that correct, sir?	many of 50 percent of our eggs priced off the
A. We talked yes. That's one of	Rose Acre market, combination of Rose Acre and
the pricing mechanisms is the price off the	Urner Barry. And so during the time from 2000
¹⁶ Urner Barry market.	to 2012, it was always a combination of either
Q. So let's walk through your largest	the Rose Acre or the Urner Barry and it just
customers, your top ten customers we talked	18 kept increasing more and more Urner Barry and
about yesterday?	less Rose Acre during that time.
²⁰ A. Okay.	²⁰ Q. By 2003 would it have been
Q. With respect to Save-A-Lot, I'm	21 majority Urner Barry?
focusing on the commodity eggs, are those	A. I don't remember what year I
locasing on the commodity eggs, are those	A. Full trainer what your
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1 commodity eggs priced off the Urper Barry	1 don't remember exactly what year everything
commodity eggs priced on the other barry	don't remember exactly what year everything
markets:	transitioned.
A. 165, tiley ale.	 Q. What documents would you look to to refresh your recollection?
Q. Alla Alale:	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
A. 165, tiley ale.	A. The pricing documents.
Q. Alla Nioger:	Q. And when you were releming to
A. res. They are.	pricing documents, what do you mean?
Q. And Topco?	A. It would be pricing letters that
9 A. Yes. They are.	would be in my files.
Q. Wai-iviait?	Q. Okay. Was there any summary
A. No. They're not.	document that you kept that distinguished bids
Q. What is Wal-Mart's commodity eggs	from Urner Barry versus Rose Acre?
priced off of?	A. Yes. Our sales there's sales
A. They're a cost plus formula.	records that show it's like a summary of what
Q. How long has that been the case?	loads per week the customers bought and it
¹⁶ A. Since 2012.	distinguished who was buying off Rose Acre and
Q. Okay. And from prior to that	who was buying off Urner Barry.
time, what was the pricing based off of?	Q. Okay. And what document was that?
¹⁹ A. Urner Barry market formula.	A. I don't believe it would have been
Q. Would that be true from '99	a title on the document. It's just a just a
through 2012?	customer sales report. It had the last
²² A. Yes.	ten weeks that everyone the eggs that the

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2	customers purchased, average loads which they	2	Yes.
3	purchased and which market they bought off of. Q. How would the markets be	3	Q. And then are there any summary
4		4	documents that tracked your Rose Acre market
5	delineated in this sales report?	5	price?
6	A. The top it's it just said	6	A. Yes.
	Rose Acre market listed customers and it said	7	Q. And what was that document?
7	Urner Barry market listed customers. So there	8	A. There's there was the document
	was no	9	that I discussed yesterday where we would
9	Q. And those were kept	10	provide the customers the history show them
10	A. In my office in the sales office	11	the Rose Acre market all the different regional
11	at Rose Acre.	12	markets and show them the average.
12	Q. Did you provide those to counsel?		Q. Was that maintained internally so
13	A. They scanned my documents, so	13	you could use that for any of your customers?
14	MR. MONICA: They've been	14	A. Yes.
15	produced.	15	Q. Do you remember the title of that
16	BY MR. STUEVE:	16	document?
17	Q. Who maintained those records?	17	A. Just it was not necessarily a
18	A. I maintain them in my office.	18	title.
19	Brenda Tormoehlen, she compiled them and gave me	19	Q. Okay. But would you generate that
20	the records.	20	on a monthly basis? How frequently would that
21	Q. Is she still at Rose Acre?	21	be generated?
22	A. No.	22	A. It was it was Aaron Heironimus
	420		422
1	Q. When did she leave?	1	puts it together. He would track it, you know,
2	A. This month.	2	update it it could be updated weekly, but he
3		3	didn't necessarily do it every week. We more
4	Q. Okay. Did she retire?A. She took another position.	4	used it for the annual, so it was more important
5	Q. Where at?	5	for an annual market.
6		6	
7	A. Stepwish Trucking. Q. Where at?	7	Q. When you say annual, what do you
8		8	mean by that?
9	A. In Brownstown, Indiana. I think	9	A. At the end of the year, so we saw
10	it's Brownstown. I think it's Brownstown, maybe	10	the averages.
11	Bologna, but it's a small town.	11	Q. You would generate kind of a year
12	Q. Where does she live?	12	end report?
13	A. She built a new house, somewhere	13	A. Yes.
	either Brownstown or Bologna in that area.		Q. What would that be called?
14	Q. How do you spell her last name?	14 15	A. There really was no title on it.
	MR. BARNES: I think he already		Q. Did you keep those?
16	spelled it.	16	A. Yes.
17	THE WITNESS: T-O-R-M-O-E-H-L-E-N.	17	Q. Would those have been provided to
18	BY MR. STUEVE:	18	your counsel?
19	Q. Do you believe by 2007, let's move	19	A. Yes.
20	several more years, by 2007 was it substantially	20	Q. Okay. Now, of the top customers,
21	all Urner Barry by that timeframe?	21	you identified Kraft. Was that one of your
22	A. The majority would be Urner Barry.	22	customers that would purchase your egg products?
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¹ A. Yes.		1	Α.	Salad dressings.
	Which egg products would	2	Q.	Any other egg products you sell to
3 Kraft purchase?] 3 K	raft?	Any other egg products you sell to
1	would purchase salt yolk and	4	Α.	Not that I can think of right now.
5 salted whole m		5 N	o.	Not that I can think of right now.
	do you spell that?	6	0. Q.	Okay. And how do you let's
7 A. F-E-N		7 to		frozen salt yolk. How do you price
	is that?	I	at to K	
	allowed to discuss?	9		Off the Urner Barry frozen salt
	ILLER: It's all	10 V	olk ma	-
¹¹ confidential.	ILLEN. 1(3 all	11	Q.	
	/ITNESS: It's a proprietary	12	Q. Α.	
product.	Triveoc. It's a proprietary	13		narket.
product.	ARNES: Sorry.	14	Q.	
	ILLER: We have to mark this	15	Q. A.	It's priced off the Urner Barry
¹⁶ highly confident		16 I i		/hole egg and yolk market.
	/ITNESS: We have confidential	17	-	What about the salt yolk?
	n Kraft. Is it okay?	18	Q. A.	It's priced off the Urner Barry
	RABTREE: Yeah. I've got it.	19	olk ma	-
	/ITNESS: It's an enzyme	20		Now, you listed some of these
	et to enhance the flavor of egg.	21 n		s you didn't list yesterday, correct,
22 BY MR. STUEV			re FEN	
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¹ Q. Oka	/ .	1	A.	Correct.
	d egg whites.	2	Q.	I want to make sure you're giving
³ Q. Oka		3 me	your b	pest recollection at the time. I want
⁴ A. Froz	en salt yolk and NEF, N-E-F.	4 to	make s	sure. Are there any other egg products
	t is that?	5 W6	didn't	talk about yesterday that we've now
6 A. It's a	nother highly confidential	6 ide	ntified	this morning? Are there any other,
⁷ product, it's a	n enzyme modified yolk.	⁷ wh	ether tl	hey're proprietary or not?
⁸ Q. Wha	t does Kraft use NEF for?	8	A.	We would need to go back to the
⁹ A. In th	e process of making salad	⁹ lis	t we w	ent through yesterday. I'm not
10 dressings.		10	N	MR. MONICA: We're talking about
¹¹ Q. Oka	y. What does it use the frozen	¹¹ tha	t Rose	Acre sold from 2000 to present?
salt yolk for?		12	N	MR. STUEVE: Yes.
1	n't know for sure.	13	N	MR. MONICA: Okay.
	t about the dried egg whites?	14	Т	THE WITNESS: Because I mean, we
	shmallow fluff.	15 tal		out if I recall right, we talked
	t about the FEME?			general terms, we did dried egg whites.
	ing the salad dressings.		_	oducts would have fell into that
	ed, is it white mix?		-	we didn't go into subcategories on some
				Like dried yolk, we have a free flow
	ie mix.	J.		
¹⁹ A. Who		²⁰ dri	ed volk	and standard dried yolk. I didn't go
19 A. Who 20 Q. Who	le mix?	l un	-	and standard dried yolk. I didn't go
19 A. Who 20 Q. Who 21 A. Sala		²¹ int	o subca	and standard dried yolk. I didn't go ategories. STUEVE:

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427 429 Q. Let me ask you this. With respect Q. What size packages? to your egg products that you sell to your A. 1-pound and 2-pound. customers, is the pricing based off of Urner Q. And then you sell them in 1-pound, Barry? 2-pound and then they package themselves? A. Not all egg products. A. No. We pack it in gable top, quart and pint, gable top carton, packed in a Q. Roughly what percentage of your case and ship it to their warehouse. egg product sales are based off the corresponding Urner Barry markets? Q. So you do all the packaging? A. Probably 95 percent. A. Yes. 10 10 Q. And then let's focus on the Q. Do you price the retail liquid the 11 11 5 percent. What types of products are we same way for all these customers? 12 12 talking about that are not based off of Urner A. We use a similar process goes into 13 13 Barry markets? the pricing those. Yes. 14 14 A. Retail liquid. Q. What is that process? 15 15 Q. Okay. What else? A. We establish a white price that we 16 16 A. I have some whole egg bag in a box want to receive and add the ingredients and 17 17 for Cracker Barrel. packaging cost and freight, if necessary, and 18 18 then that's how we establish a price. Q. Any others? 19 A. Dried -- a lot of dried egg -- the Q. Do you add in your profit then? 20 20 dried eggs. So, actually -- that 95 percent is A. There's not a set profit on the 21 21 probably more like 80 percent. Because the product because the egg white market fluctuates 22 majority of dried products are sold off of fixed often and it's highly influenced by the yolk 428 430 price. prices. Q. Retail liquid, who do you sell Q. When you talk about that, are you talking about the Urner Barry yolk market? those to? A. Grocery stores. A. Yes. Q. Okay. And did you have a Q. Okay. And so whether or not you particular set of clients, grocery stores that make a profit again is going to be impacted by buy a large portion of that? the Urner Barry market? A. Yes. We do. A. Yes. That would definitely -- the Q. Who is that? Urner Barry market would have an impact on us, 10 10 A. Aldie, Save-A-Lot, CCF Brands for 11 Sam's, Meyer, Big Y, Hy-Vee, Giant Eagle, Dutch 11 Q. That process you just described, 12 12 Farms, Eggland's Best. There's others. Off the do you use that same process for all the 13 13 top of my head, I can't put a name on them. customers that you identified with respect to 14 14 Q. On the retail liquid, is this the the retail liquid? 15 15 packaging you can get in certain ounce size like A. Yes. That's the thought process 16 16 Eggland's Best, where they may low cholesterol, that goes into that. 17 17 Q. Okay. With respect to the little those types of --A. We produce two products. egg bag in a box? 19 19 Q. Okay. What are those? A. Yes. 20 20 A. Some that's all whites and the Q. Is that also a similar pricing 21 others the no cholesterol, similar to an Egg method that you just described? A. Yes. For the Cracker Barrel, it's Beaters type product.

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431 433 a similar process. A. Dried eggs, the majority of dried Q. I'm sorry. Go ahead. eggs are contract bids. A. On the fixed price Cracker Barrel. Q. And are they -- does your It would be a similar process. Yes. profitability, is it impacted by Urner Barry? Q. What market impacts your A. No. Not when we -- not once -well, I'll take that back. On some products, profitability there? A. On that product, the market is not they are. The whites -- example -- the yolks and whites would be. going to impact it. Our cost to produce will impact it. Q. Okay. 10 10 Q. Do you have a cost plus then A. For the same reason the whites on 11 11 pricing for that? the retail. 12 12 Q. Okay. A. No. 13 13 Q. Okav. A. But whole egg would not. A. It's just a fixed price. 14 Q. Okay. Any -- any other -- so on 15 Q. Okay. What -- what is -- what 15 the egg product side, any other egg products 16 16 makes up this product? Is it a dried, liquid? that -- we're talking about the approximately 17 17 A. It's a liquid whole egg. 20 percent that either have some impact or no 18 18 Q. Okay. How is it different than impact by Urner Barry. Any other egg products? 19 19 the retail liquid product you make? A. We didn't go into all the 20 20 A. Because it's a whole egg, they're subcategories of frozen if you want to. I think 21 21 yesterday we just said we did frozen, I believe. getting the entire egg. 22 Q. Okay. Q. I'm just talking about now the big 432 A. It would be like taking an egg, picture, your approximation of 80 percent Urner breaking it open and selling everything. Barry, 20 percent have some or no impact by Q. Okay. Urner Barry. On that 20 percent, any other egg A. The difference in the retail product we haven't talked about? liquid is you're only selling the egg whites to A. There was a one year period back those retail customers. So the egg whites make approximately 2010 that we did a fixed price for up about 60 percent of the egg. The other some Kraft's liquid products. remainder part is 30 percent yolk and 10 percent Q. And were those whole eggs? 9 soup, which is incidental whole egg that comes A. It was the -- yes. The whole mix off of it. Soup, it's a term we use in the and the salt yolk. 11 11 industry. So that product because you're only Q. Any others? 12 12 selling 60 percent, what happens to that the A. On some of the whole egg, we've 13 other 40 percent influences your bottom line on got -- like the Cracker Barrel there was some 14 the other 60 percent because you don't control 14 whole egg totes for Main Street Muffins in 15 15 you don't have that at a price, so you're only Columbus, Ohio, that we sold to a distributor, 16 16 fixing the whites price. Ohio Farmers that would ask for fixed pricing. 17 17 Q. Got it. Why wouldn't the Urner Q. And what type of -- what type of 18 Barry market impact your pricing of the bag in a egg product made up that? 19 19 box product? A. They purchased whole egg and egg 20 20 A. Because we take the market out of whites. 21 it when I issue a fixed price. Q. So the egg whites would be subject Q. Okay. What about dried eggs? to Urner Barry, the whole egg would not; is that

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435 437 Urner Barry market. Do you remember that correct? A. Correct. testimony? Q. Any others? A. It would have the customers that A. Skinner Baking in Omaha, Nebraska. bought off the respective markets; correct. Let's see. We've done a fixed price for them in Q. Did you also prepare a summary for the past on whole egg in totes and a few in bag them that would compare what they were paying for their specialty eggs to their commodity Q. Okay. eggs? 9 A. Sometime between 2000 to 2012, we A. No. 10 10 were selling to Oleksky in Chicago, and some of Q. Did you all track that internally, 11 his customers before we had gave fixed pricing what that spread was between the specialty egg 12 12 on whole egg bag in a box. He's from Poland. price and the -- the eggs priced off of Urner 13 13 We also trade liquid tankers with Barry? 14 14 other egg breakers and those would be sold --MR. MONICA: Objection. Vague. 15 they can be sold both ways. They can be sold at 15 THE WITNESS: It wasn't tracked 16 16 a fixed price or a price off of Urner Barry. priced off of Urner Barry, but the document we 17 17 Q. Okay. just discussed that had the summary with all the 18 18 A. I can keep thinking of others. products' percentages, not only had the volume 19 There could be others we sold fixed, but most percentages, it shows the pricing received, and 20 20 common is Urner Barry. specialty eggs are one of those categories, so 21 21 Q. Okay. With respect to your egg it would have that broke out in that document. 22 products and how those would break out on an BY MR. STUEVE: 436 438 annual basis, the different types of egg Q. You could compare the pricing you products, where would that summary be reflected? were getting for specialty eggs to the pricing A. It would be in a -- in a document. you were getting for commodity eggs from that Q. And what document would that be document? MR. MONICA: Objection. Vague. in? 6 A. It's a document that's compiled --You can answer. it gives a break out of all of our shell eggs, THE WITNESS: The document -- like dried products, frozen products and inedible I said, the document does show for dried products. It's a yearly summary. product, the average price for the year. 10 10 Q. Prepared at the end of the year? Liquid product, it has -- the 11 11 A. Yes. specialties aren't subcategory broke out just in 12 12 Q. Did you keep those? general. 13 13 A. Yes. BY MR. STUEVE: 14 Ω Would those have been produced to 14 Q. Specialty egg -- is it specialty 15 15 counsel? egg product? 16 16 A. Yes. A. No. 17 17 MR. MONICA: They have been Q. Okay. So if you would, the 18 18 produced. price -- so in there, how was -- how was the 19 19 BY MR. STUEVE: average pricing determined for the specialty egg 20 20 Q. You had indicated earlier that that's on that document? 21 21 there was a document that would track the A. It's a -- from all of our sales difference between the Rose Acre market and the files that's been produced, it would just be a

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439 441 summary of the price the customers pay. going to be in a similar range price. Q. Is it an average? BY MR. STUEVE: A. Yes. Q. Okay. In the summary document Q. For all customers? would it also have then your -- the average Yes. commodity egg price that you got? Then from customer to customer in A. Yes. Q. Okay. And in looking at that, is a particular year for the same specialty egg product, was there any material difference in it fair to say that the average specialty egg the prices they were getting? price was typically higher than the commodity 10 10 MR. MONICA: Objection. Vague. egg price? 11 11 THE WITNESS: On -- I guess --A. On a yearly average, the specialty 12 12 BY MR. STUEVE: egg price would be higher. 13 13 Q. On specialty eggs? Q. Is there a typical range that that 14 14 A. You're asking me if there's a is higher? 15 15 different price that customers pay for specialty A. No. Because it's going to vary 16 16 year to year, depending on the markets. 17 17 Q. Materially different? Was there a Q. Okay. All right. 18 18 significant gap between what customer A would With respect to your commodity egg 19 pay for the same specialty product and customer pricing, what would you -- let me ask you this. 20 20 B in any particular year? How did you account for your input cost, for 21 21 A. There would be on Eggland's Best. example, increases, would you go back to a Q. Okay. customer that you had an existing contract in 440 442 A. Because we sell Eggland's Best and lay out, look here, our costs have gone internally between franchisees, so if I sell to up -- I'm specifically talking about the another franchisee, it's a different cost specialty egg side, would you go back to them compared to if I'm selling it to a retailer, and say, look, our costs have gone up we need to adjust price? because on Eggland's Best, you pay either royalty or you pay MSF. You pay to Eggland's MR. MONICA: Objection. Vague. THE WITNESS: You said two things. for promotion and advertising, and if I just sell the product the other franchisee would be You started out talking about commodity and you obligated to support the product, not me. So switched to specialty. 10 those kind of sales would show a difference if BY MR. STUEVE: 11 11 you're looking at a sales report because those Q. Let me back up. I appreciate 12 12 costs aren't added in. The producer who buys it that. 13 from me then would in turn be responsible for Let me focus on -- let me just ask 14 14 those costs. you the general question. 15 15 Q. If you put that example out, the A. Okay. 16 16 specialty egg prices you would sell to your Q. What were your practice if there 17 17 specialty egg customers in any particular year, were a significant change in your input costs 18 would the pricing be similar? and I'm talking about an increase, what was your 19 19 MR. MONICA: Objection. Vague and practice? 20 20 A. On which product? ambiguous. You can answer. 21 THE WITNESS: Like products of Specialty eggs. A. Okay. On specialty eggs the specialty eggs sold to different customers are

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biggest change in cost is going to be feed. So if we had a significant increase in feed, yes, we have went back to customers and explained to them what our cost change on feed was and asked for a price increase. That's typical practice.

Q. Any other change that would precipitate you going back to your customers with respect to specialty eggs?

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A. We've had customers change packaging, asked to go from, for example, a pulp carton to either maybe a pulp label carton or to a clear carton. And there's a significant difference in packaging costs, so if that's a customer request we would go to the customer and explain the difference in the pricing for the packaging and ask for that cost to be passed through.

Q. Okay. Any other circumstances that would precipitate you going to your customers concerning your specialty egg pricing?

A. If we go to organics, because we purchase organics, if our supplier comes to us look, we want to renegotiate our specialty egg

MR. MONICA: Objection.

Hypothetical and compound. You may answer.

THE WITNESS: I don't recall that customer coming to me and asking for to us lower a specialty egg fixed price because of the Urner Barry market, no.

BY MR. STUEVE:

Q. Do you recall them ever coming to you and ask for you to lower your price?

> MR. MONICA: Objection. Vague. THE WITNESS: I don't recall a

specific instance of that. No.

BY MR. STUEVE:

Q. So sitting here today, you don't ever remember lowering your specialty egg price upon a customer's request?

A. Not during the time we're selling them. You know, if it's a bid period then you're -- everything's opened up to competition and prices may change at that time, but not

but their increase would be basically for the same reason. If they have an increase on organic feed they come to us ask for an

increase, so we go to our customers. So it's a different feed but it's just coming from a different source versus us buying the feed, it's from our supplier.

Q. Any other circumstances?

A. Not during the time selling, only if a new bid came up then it's all start over with the bid.

Q. Now, were the circumstances in which a customer would come to you and ask for a price change with respect to specialty eggs?

A. What's the question?

Q. So let's say, for example, there is a declining Urner Barry market and a customer has a fixed contract with respect to specialty egg pricing, and there's greater and greater gap between their specialty egg price and their commodity egg price. Would a customer approach you, and I'm talking about Rose Acre and say,

during the time we're selling them. No. I don't recall.

Q. Let's talk about that. Is there -- have you had customers during that bid process discuss with you the price variance between what they're paying for the specialty eggs and the commodity eggs?

MR. MONICA: Objection. Vague.

You can answer.

THE WITNESS: No. Not that I recall. No.

BY MR. STUEVE:

Q. Okay. Let's focus on commodity eggs now. Are there circumstances in which your input costs changed that you would go to the customer and ask to change the commodity egg price, that you can think of?

A. Yes.

Q. Okay. Does it happen very often?

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Q. Okay. How frequently does it happen?

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447 449 A. Maybe two or three times over the The Urner Barry markets. last ten years. And do you keep that historical Q. Okay. So we're talking about a data? very infrequent circumstance; is that right? A. Yes. A. Yes. Q. In your files? Q. All right. You were sitting there Yes. thinking about it. What's the example you Q. Was that provided to your counsel? thought about? 9 A. Well, the carton packaging costs. Q. The -- today, what percentage of 10 10 Recently we've had some surcharging on the shell egg market is produced by companies 11 11 packaging. There was a fire at one of the that are certified? 12 12 manufacturers, we went to the customers asked MR. MONICA: Objection. Vague. 13 13 them -- a lot of it the customers control their You can answer. 14 14 packaging, so since our price went up, we asked THE WITNESS: Just shell egg 15 15 for price increases on those. producers? 16 16 Q. Now, Mr. Rust, we took his BY MR. STUEVE: 17 17 deposition, said that you would track the spread Q. Uh-huh. 18 18 between the Urner Barry quote and the A. I don't -- if we're only talking 19 19 noncertified Urner Barry quote? shell eggs, to my knowledge, there's -- it's a 20 20 MR. MONICA: Objection. large percentage. I know that -- the only 21 21 Mischaracterizes testimony. number I know is there's 80, I think roughly 22 22 THE WITNESS: There's -- on liquid 85 percent of all producers are participants in 448 450 UEP animal welfare program. products, only on liquid, there is a certified Urner Barry quote. There's -- today. There's Now, the breakdown exactly how no -- there's a noncertified and certified for many is liquid, how many is shell, I don't know liquid yolk, whole egg and whites only. for sure. I don't know the exact amount, but it Pasteurized and unpasteurized. There's no Urner would be a large percentage. Barry -- Urner Barry only quotes one market Q. Okay. You mentioned yesterday today for shell eggs. One market for each Sonstegard? region. Urner Barry puts a brown shell market, A. Yes. 9 as well. Q. They sell liquid eggs; right? The 10 BY MR. STUEVE: vast majority of their eggs are sold to folks 11 Q. The Urner Barry shell egg quote, 11 who are egg product companies; right? 12 12 you're saying there is no distinction between MR. MONICA: Objection. Vague. 13 13 certified and noncertified; is that correct? Compound. You can answer. 14 A. No. Today there's only one 14 THE WITNESS: They sell liquid 15 15 market. products. They sell dried products and they 16 16 sell shell eggs. Q. Has there ever been since 2009 a 17 17 Urner Barry certified quote and non-Urner Barry BY MR. STUEVE: 18 18 certified quote for shell eggs? Q. What percentage of their business 19 19 A. I -- I don't remember for sure. I are they selling shell eggs? 20 20 would have to look at the markets. A. I don't know. 21 21 Q. Where -- what document would you Q. It's a pretty small percentage; is look at to refresh your recollection? it not?

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451 453 A. I don't know. They tend to sell a those names? lot more shell eggs when the markets are A. Okay. And I -- that's the members favorable to them to sell shell eggs. Q. Do you know who they sell those of the Board. There are some advisors that I'm shell eggs to? not positive if they're on this e-mail. There's some advisors to the Board. A. Yesterday I said they sell in California and I didn't know the rest of their Q. And do you remember receiving this e-mail in February 2012? customers. Q. Do you know the name of the MR. MONICA: If you're on the 10 10 company in California? phone, could you put your outgoing line on mute? 11 We can hear typing. Thank you. A. Hidden Valley Ranch. 12 12 THE WITNESS: I don't remember it. Q. Okay. 13 13 (Exhibit Number 573 was marked for No. 14 BY MR. STUEVE: identification.) 15 15 BY MR. STUEVE: Q. Okay. You can confirm for me, 16 16 Q. Show you what's been marked as though, that the certified large price is \$0.78 17 17 compared to the noncertified at 56 and a half Exhibit 573. 18 18 MS. REDDING: Can I get the Bates which is 21 and a half cent spread: correct --19 21 and a half cent spread; correct? number? 20 20 MR. MONICA: Objection. Calls for MR. STUEVE: RAFKS 0010568. 21 21 MS. REDDING: Thank you. speculation. 22 THE WITNESS: I can't confirm that BY MR. STUEVE: 452 454 Q. Did you review this document in these numbers are accurate, sitting here, no, preparation for your deposition today? without looking them up myself, but --A. No. BY MR. STUEVE: Q. This is from markets, Rust, and it Q. But you can confirm those are the says to the family. Do you know who falls numbers in the e-mail; correct? within that list? A. Those are the numbers written A. Yes. here, correct. Q. The numbers that are contained in Q. Who falls within that list? A. It would be Lois Rust, Anthony this e-mail from Marcus Rust shows the Rust, James Rust, John Rust, Robert Rust, Ruth difference between \$0.78 and 56 and a half cents 11 Ann Hendrix, Karen McQuarry, and I believe some for the noncertified is 21.5 cent difference; 12 12 of the grandkids are on the list. I -- they're correct? 13 13 either on the family list or the Board list. I A. Those are numbers that are written 14 14 can -- there's some of the previous, the six -here for that particular day in sales trading. 15 15 besides Lois the other ones I mentioned, some of Q. And can you tell what the source 16 their kids are on this list, too, but I don't was he was relying on? 17 17 know all of them who's on it. A. In the e-mail -- if this is 18 Q. The Board, who's on that list? correct, it states Egg Clearinghouse, Inc. 19 19 A. On the Board list would be Tony Q. And was that a website that you 20 20 Wesner, David Hurd, Victor Rigterink, myself, utilized? 21 21 then some of the family members we've already A. That me personally? mentioned. Do you want me to go back through Q. Yeah.

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455 457 A. Yes. I use Egg Clearinghouse. difference of \$0.24; correct. Q. And what -- what are the reasons BY MR. STUEVE: you use it? Q. Then what Marcus Rust is saying is A. To trade surplus and -- to trade we need the ability to do both if we want to eggs and to buy eggs on. keep our business in certain areas. He's Q. Okay. And do you trade and buy referring to the ability to sell both certified eggs for Rose Acre? and noncertified; correct, sir? MR. MONICA: Objection. Calls for A. I'm responsible to oversee the 9 person that works with the Egg Clearinghouse. speculation. You can answer. 10 10 THE WITNESS: I can't tell you Q. And who is that person? 11 A. Bob Niewedde. 11 what Marcus was thinking here. 12 12 Q. He is? BY MR. STUEVE: 13 13 A. And -- for shell eggs, and Aaron Q. Well, let's read it. 14 14 Our price to DF, would be Dutch Heironimus for liquid eggs. 15 (Exhibit Number 574 was marked for 15 Farms, right, would have been \$1.08. One and a 16 16 identification.) half of Dutch Farms' buyers do not care about 17 17 BY MR. STUEVE: UEP certification. Did I read that correctly? 18 18 Q. Show you what's been marked as A. Yes. 19 Exhibit 574, and I'm just going to ask you about Q. We need the ability to do both if 20 20 the top e-mail there in 574. Bates range is we want to keep our business in certain areas. 21 21 RAFKS 0000603. Did I read that correctly? 22 22 A. Yes. In the spring of 2012, Sparboe was 456 458 not UEP certified; correct, sir? Q. What he's referring to there is A. I don't remember for sure. I know the ability to sell both UEP certified and they rejoined. I don't know exactly when. noncertified; correct, sir? Q. The difference between what they MR. MONICA: Objection. Calls for were selling their eggs for in the spring of speculation. You can answer. 2012 compared to Rose Acre's certified eggs THE WITNESS: I can't tell you shows a \$0.24 gap; correct? what Marcus is thinking here. MR. MONICA: Objection. Calls for BY MR. STUEVE: speculation. Misstates what this document says. Q. Because Rose Acre has agreed that 10 10 You can answer. it will only market certified eggs, it's 11 11 THE WITNESS: Can you repeat the precluded from selling noncertified eggs to 12 12 question? Dutch Farms; correct, sir? 13 13 BY MR. STUEVE: A. No. 14 Q. Yeah. The -- what's reflected in 14 MR. MONICA: Objection. 15 15 here by Marcus Rust is a \$0.24 gap between Rose BY MR. STUEVE: 16 16 Acre's price, DF, I assume Dutch Farms, right, Q. It's not? 17 17 and Sparboe's; correct? A. No. 18 MR. MONICA: Objection. You can Q. Okay. It's your testimony that 19 19 Rose Acre has not agreed to the 100 percent answer. 20 THE WITNESS: I mean, I don't know 20 21 21 if these are real numbers, but in this e-mail MR. MONICA: Objection. that you're showing me, it shows that there's a THE WITNESS: I didn't say that.

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459 461 BY MR. STUEVE: Q. Your cage-free eggs are not Q. Okay. What do you understand the certified UEP; correct, sir? 100 percent rule to be, sir? A. They do meet the UEP guidelines. A. That under the 100 percent rule, Q. There is no certification process, all eggs that Rose Acre produces will be UEP correct? certified. A. But you can use the certification Q. Right, so all of the eggs it does -- they exceed the current guidelines. produce is UEP certified; right? Q. If you can answer my question, 9 A. Correct. Except for the there is no certification program currently 10 10 cage-free. being utilized by UEP with respect to cage-free; 11 11 Q. And so Rose Acre is unable to sell is that correct, sir? 12 12 the eggs it produces to Dutch Farms -- let me MR. MONICA: Object. Give me a 13 13 chance to object, you changed the question on back up. 14 Rose Acre has no noncertified eggs him but you can go ahead and answer. 15 15 that it produces that it could sell to Dutch THE WITNESS: Our cage-free eggs 16 16 Farms; correct? exceed the UEP certified guidelines so we can 17 17 A. That we produce, but I can sell use the UEP certified on cage-free eggs today. 18 18 What I stated was the UEP is in the process noncertified eggs. 19 19 Q. I'm not asking about -- you would currently to write guidelines specifically for 20 20 have to go out and buy those; right? cage-free eggs, but you do because we already 21 21 A. Yes. meet the UEP guidelines with certified because 22 there's no cages and one of the guidelines is Q. Who would you buy those from? 460 462 A. From a noncertified producer. 67 square inches for the birds, and since Q. Like who? there's no cages, we meet the guidelines along A. Like Sparboe or Kryder come to with the other animal humane standards for those mind. birds, we treat them all the same so we can use Q. As far as the eggs you produce the UEP certified shield on cage-free eggs from your 22 million hens, you could not sell a today. single one of those to a Dutch Farms if they're BY MR. STUEVE: looking for noncertified; correct, sir? Q. Mr. Hinton, are you changing your MR. MONICA: Objection. testimony you just gave five minutes ago that 10 THE WITNESS: On my own production your cage-free eggs are not certified? 11 11 MR. MONICA: Objection of eggs that are non cage-free, they would all 12 12 mischaracterizes his prior testimony. Asked and be UEP certified on my production. 13 13 BY MR. STUEVE: answered. You can answer. 14 14 Q. Your cage-free are not certified; THE WITNESS: Okay. I explained 15 15 is that correct? to you what -- how we can use the UEP certified 16 16 A. Today there's no certified rules shield. And that I also stated that the UEP is 17 17 today, certification on -- they would meet -in the process of writing guidelines 18 our cage-free meet all the guidelines for UEP specifically for cage-free eggs. So we can use 19 19 certified, so you can put UEP certified, but the certified shield on cage-free eggs and we 20 20 there is no written standard today. They're 21 working on standards for -- currently working on BY MR. STUEVE: Q. Sir, there's no 100 percent rule standards for cage-free and organics.

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463 465 that applies to cage-free eggs; correct? relation to the contact with the State of Kansas MR. MONICA: Objection. we pay egg taxes so that's our only contact that Foundation. You can answer. I know of with the State of Kansas is the fact THE WITNESS: By definition, that we pay taxes to the State of Kansas. cage-free meets the rule. Q. With respect to doing business in BY MR. STUEVE: Kansas, you do business with Aldie's that are located in Olathe, Kansas? Q. Sir, you're not obligated -- you can sell cage-free eggs that do not meet the UEP A. Yes. animal welfare guidelines; correct? Q. How long has that been the case? 10 10 A. I can -- you said I can sell A. Ever since they've been there, 11 11 cage-free eggs that don't meet it? probably more than 15 years. 12 12 Q. Yeah. Q. With respect to Menu Foods? 13 13 A. Yes. 14 Q. That's not true with respect to 14 Q. How long have you been doing 15 your caged eggs -- caged hen; right? 15 business with Menu Foods? 16 MR. MONICA: Objection. Asked and A. Probably more than ten years. 17 17 Q. And how long have you been paying answered. 18 18 THE WITNESS: No. I can sell egg taxes? 19 caged eggs, too, that don't meet it. A. Since we've been selling eggs in 20 20 BY MR. STUEVE: Kansas since Aldie's. 21 21 Q. What about Hy-Vee? Aren't your Q. You cannot sell caged eggs that 22 22 you produce that do not meet the certified? eggs sold at Hy-Vee stores in Kansas? 464 466 A. That's a different question. That A. If -- if there's Hy-Vee stores in I produce? No. Kansas, yes. Q. Now, if you could, could you turn Q. And, again, how long have you been to topic 28. This is your contacts with the selling Rose Acre eggs at Hy-Vee stores? A. We've been supplying the Hy-Vee State of Kansas including purchase, sale, marketing, offer for sale, attempted sale, or warehousing in Atheny, Iowa since approximately manufacture of any goods or services in Kansas, May of 2012. along with any business relationships you have Q. And is it your testimony you with entities in Kansas. Do you see that? didn't do business with any Hy-Vee stores prior to that? 11 Q. What did you do to prepare for 11 A. No. 12 12 Q. Is that correct? this topic? 13 A. I have personal knowledge of this Α. 14 topic. 14 Ω That's not correct? 15 15 Q. Okay. Tell me what your personal Α. 16 16 knowledge is? Q. Okay. With respect to Hy-Vee 17 17 stores, how long have you been doing business A. We have a couple shell egg 18 with Hy-Vee stores? customers in the State of Kansas, Aldie in 19 19 Olathe, Kansas, and AWG in Kansas City. And A. Most recently was 2012 when we 20 20 started supplying all the Hy-Vee stores. then our -- in reference to contacts -- then we have Menu Foods, it's inedible, that buys Q. Okay. inedible egg powder for pet food in Kansas. In A. Prior to that, we've sold eggs to

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1	Hy-Vee, and I don't know what stores they went	been. Yes. It would be in my files.
2	to. We was we was one of their suppliers	² Q. Okay. When did you solicit that
3	back I'm not sure of the exact year. It	³ business?
4	was I can't remember if it was prior to 2000	⁴ A. It would have been in when
5	or after 2000, but we were supplying some eggs	⁵ Wal-Mart did their bid in 2012.
6	to Hy-Vee.	6 Q. And what about Kroger?
7	Q. Starting in either late 1999 or	⁷ A. It was in 2011.
8	early 2000; is that correct?	8 Q. And what stores in Kansas?
9	A. I don't remember the exact year,	⁹ A. The Dillons.
10	sir.	Q. Do you know, are the Dillons
11	Q. Would that be true up through	stores are they owned by Kroger?
12	2012?	A. They're owned by Kroger.
13	A. No.	Q. And approximately how many Dillon
14	Q. So you stopped at some point and	stores are there in Kansas?
15	then started back up?	¹⁵ A. I don't know.
16	A. Yes.	¹⁶ Q. Okay. Now, what about your
17	Q. Okay. Any other business in the	distributors? Have they distributed Rose Acre
18	State of Kansas?	eggs in the State of Kansas from 1999 to the
19	A. Not that I can think of.	¹⁹ present?
20	Q. You talked about your efforts to	MR. MONICA: Objection. Calls for
21	solicit business from AWG in 2004, 2006 and 2009	²¹ speculation.
22	and then in early 2013; is that correct, sir?	THE WITNESS: I
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1	A. Well, they came to us in 2006 and	BY MR. STUEVE:
2	2013 and asked us for but, yes, we've talked	² Q. Let's take Dutch Farms.
3	with AWG about doing business.	³ A. Okay. They sold to AWG in the
4	Q. You testified about those various	⁴ past.
5	times in your testimony yesterday; right?	⁵ Q. And would those have been Rose
6	A. Yes.	⁶ Acre eggs?
7	Q. Those would have been contacts	A. They would have been my eggs, but
8	with AWG's headquarters in Kansas City, Kansas;	it would have been AWG's cartons.
9	correct?	⁹ Q. They would have been Rose Acre
10	A. If it's Kansas. Like I said, I	10 eggs?
11	get confused with Kansas City.	¹¹ A. Yes.
12	Q. Have you solicited business from	Q. And do you remember what time
13	anyone else, any other customers in Kansas? And	¹³ period?
14	I'm focusing on '99 up through today?	¹⁴ A. No. Like I testified yesterday, I
15	A. Yes.	couldn't remember if that was prior to '99 or
16	Q. Can you identify those instances?	¹⁶ not.
17	A. Kroger and I believe Wal-Mart has	Q. What about any other customers of
18	a warehouse in Kansas that we bid on. Kansas or	Buton i anno in rianous.
19	Oklahoma.	¹⁹ A. I don't know where all Dutch
20	Q. There's a Wal-Mart warehouse right	Farms I don't know all their customers.
21	next to AWG's. Would that have been the one?	Q. What about other distributors here
22	A. If that's the case, it may have	that are in the Midwest?
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471 473 MR. MONICA: Objection. Vague. Q. What did you do to prepare THE WITNESS: Distributors of mine yourself for that topic? that may sell eggs into Kansas? A. I reviewed our molts and BY MR. STUEVE: backfilling practices with David Hurd. Q. Yeah. Q. And you testified about your A. I'm not aware of any of them. discussion with Dave Hurd; is that right? It's possible. I don't know where they all sell A. Yes. I did. their eggs. Q. Anything else? A. No. Just my knowledge of the Q. Okay. 10 10 MR. STUEVE: I need to take a subject. 11 11 Q. Now, did you have any contact with quick restroom break here. 12 12 MR. MONICA: Sounds good. United Egg Producers or United States Egg 13 13 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time is Marketers prior to Rose Acre joining UEP in 14 14 early 2002? 9:15 a.m. and we're going off the record. 15 15 (A brief recess was taken.) A. Contact with a specific person or 16 16 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: This is the you mean -- I guess I don't -- I mean, you're 17 17 start of media unit number two. The time is talking about an organization, so that's not a 18 18 9:27 a.m. and we are back on the record. person. 19 BY MR. STUEVE: Q. Do you not understand my question? 20 20 Q. In the last five years, has Rose A. I guess not. 21 21 Acre purchased non-certified shell eggs and sold Q. Okay. It's my understanding based on Marcus Rust's testimony that Rose Acre joined them to one of its shell egg customers? 472 474 A. No. Not that I can think of. United Egg Producers in early 2002; is that Q. If you could turn to topic 20. correct? It's my understanding starting with topic 20, A. Yes. subpart F through J, you have been designated to Q. Prior to that time, did you have testify on behalf of Rose Acre; is that correct, any contact with United Egg Producers? counsel? A. I guess who do you mean by United Egg Producers? MR. MONICA: That's correct. BY MR. STUEVE: Q. Anyone that was involved with the management or direction of United Egg Producers? Q. Are you aware of that? 10 A. Yes. A. Yes. 11 11 Q. Who? Q. I'm going to jump around here a 12 12 little bit. Let's talk about 20 G, which A. Al Pope. Gene Gregory. Prior to 13 13 '02. Those two for sure. I had contact with. states, your knowledge of and participation in 14 any industry or collective efforts to decrease 14 Q. Okay. Describe to me the nature 15 15 the egg supply or raise the price of eggs and of that contact? 16 16 A. I would see them at industry egg products including through early or 17 17 coordinated molts, changes in flock disposal or meetings. 18 flock kills, changes to chick placement or Q. And what industry meetings are you 19 19 hatch, hen house vacancies, reduction or referring to, sir? 20 20 A. The -- the Urner Barry marketing elimination of backfilling and/or other layer 21 21 hen reductions. Do you see that? conference. Q. Any others? A. Yes.

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1	A. Yeah. The International Egg	1	A. In the Georgia Conference Center
2			in Atlanta, Georgia.
3	Q. Any others?	3	Q. Has that been true
4	A. Not that I can recall. Well, I	4	A. Ever since I've been in the egg
5	saw them at the back then it was called	5	business.
6	Southeastern it's a trade show in Atlanta.	6	Q. When did you start going to the US
7	Q. Who sponsored that?	7	Egg and Poultry Association's trade show?
8	A. The US Poultry and Egg	8	A. It could have been the early '80s.
9	Association.	9	I can't remember which year.
10	Q. And where are they located?	10	Q. All right. Who else would
11	A. Atlanta, Georgia.	11	accompany you?
12	Q. And who ran the US Egg and Poultry	12	A. Do you want specific names?
13	Association?	13	Q. Yes.
14	A. During when?	14	A. Over the last 30 years?
15	Q. This is prior to 2002 when you had	15	Q. Uh-huh.
16	had contact with Al Pope and Gene Gregory?	16	A. Okay. Start back at the
17	A. I believe Don Balton was the	17	beginning. Bill Knott. Fred Lewis. John
18	president then.	18	Solidine. David Hurd. David Rust. Randy
19	MR. MONICA: Mr. Hinton, please	19	Lawson. Gary Johns. Peggy Johns. Ralph
20	let him finish his questions.	20	Miller. Ty Harweger. Ralph Miller. Marcus
21	BY MR. STUEVE:	21	Rust. Victor Rigterink. KY Hendrix. Robert
22	Q. What was was Rose Acre a member	22	Rust. Josh Marcott.
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1	of the US Egg and Poultry Association?	1	Q. Can you spell that, please?
2	A. Yes.	2	A. M-A-R-C-O-T-T.
3	Q. From what timeframe?	3	Q. Okay.
4	A. I don't know exactly when we	4	A. Kent Ford. Amanda Jackson. Ralph
5	joined. It could have been in the '80s possibly	5	Long. Joe Easton, Ron Swafford,
6	I don't remember exactly when.	6	S-W-A-F-F-O-R-D. There's many, many others.
7	Q. Certainly in the '90s, you would	7	More can't come to mind right now.
8	have been members?	8	Q. Why don't we just focus on the
9	A. Yes.	9	last ten years, so since 2000?
10	Q. Are you members today?	10	A. Okay.
11	A. Yes.	11	Q. Folks that are still employed at
12	Q. Approximately what percentage of	12	Rose Acre?
13	the egg producers are members of the US Egg and		A. Okay.
14	Poultry Association?		Q. Would that include then David
15	A. I I don't know.	15	Hurd, Amanda Jackson?
16	Q. Is there a fair number?	16	A. Yes.
17	A. I believe so.	17	Q. And who else?
18	Q. And do they host a do they host	18	A. The ones, if I can recall since
19	an annual meeting?	19	I don't have them in front of me, I'll try to
20	A. No well, they host an annual	20	recall the ones no longer with us that I
21	trade show.	21	mentioned.
22	Q. And where is that held?	22	Q. Bill Knott?
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¹ A. No longer with us.	¹ regional complex manager.
² Q. When did he leave?	² Q. Okay. Marcus Rust we know about.
3 A. Sometime in the '80s probab	
⁴ Q. Fred Lewis? No longer with R	
5 Acre?	⁵ Q. When did he stop going?
6 A. No longer with us. Sorry.	6 A. It would have been a few years
 Q. Has he been gone for some tir 	
8 A. Long time.	8 Q. Robert Rust?
⁹ Q. John Solidine?	⁹ A. He's our in the IT department.
¹⁰ A. Long time gone.	¹⁰ Q. John Marcott?
¹¹ Q. David Rust?	A. He's in the IT department.
12 A. He passed away.	¹² Q. Kent Ford?
Q. Is that Lois' husband?	A. He's our purchasing manager.
A. Her first her ex-husband.	Q. And what is he what's his
¹⁵ Q. Okay. Randy Lawson?	general responsibility?
16 A. Still with us.	A. He's purchasing. He purchases
Q. Has he been going for the last	
several years?	just our purchasing agent that purchases for the
¹⁹ A. He didn't go this past year w	
²⁰ us.	Q. Whatever supplies are necessary to
Q. What's his role at Rose Acre?	run the various production facilities he's
A. Maintenance, egg graders.	responsible for buying all that, all those
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¹ Q. Gary Johns?	¹ materials?
² A. Still with us.	² A. Yes. He's responsible for all the
³ Q. What's his role?	POs. His department writes all the POs.
4 A. Maintenance on egg graders	Q. POs means purchase orders?
⁵ Q. Peggy Johns?	⁵ A. Purchase orders. So he don't
⁶ A. She's still with us.	6 necessarily negotiate all the things the
⁷ Q. What's her role?	7 regional managers for each farm that they would,
8 A. She works with our SQF with	
⁹ egg safety.	but just general day to day things, you know,
Q. Ralph Miller?	soap for the washers, things like that, I mean
A. He's still with us.	he would oversee tape for tape machines. He
Q. What's his role?	works with the packaging suppliers.
¹³ A. He's pullet manager.	Q. And then we talked about Amanda
Q. And Ty Harweger is still; right?	
¹⁵ A. Yes.	¹⁵ A. Yes. He's pullet manager.
¹⁶ Q. Joe Easton?	Q. So currently is there a fairly
A. He's feed department.	large contingency that goes to the trade show?
¹⁸ Q. Ron Swafford?	A. I believe there was maybe eight of
¹⁹ A. He's our quality manager for	
²⁰ egg quality.	Q. Okay. And then approximately how
²¹ Q. Okay. Then Ralph Miller?	many folks typically go to the United Egg
A. He's still with us. He's a	Producers annual meeting?
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1	A.	The annual meeting?	1	Q. Where is that at?
2	Q.	Yeah.	2	A. It '02. Years ago it was in
3	A.	Maybe five or six.	3	Atlantic City. Then it moved to Las Vegas. It
4	Q.	I want to move back to prior to	4	was in Orlando one year and they went back to
5	2002, we	e're talking about your contact with Al	5	Vegas. It's been in Vegas ever since.
6	Pope an	d Gene Gregory, so at these annual	6	Q. Would UEP have a booth there?
7	Southea	stern trade shows they would be there on	7	A. No. There's no booths.
8	behalf of	f United Egg Producers; is that correct?	8	Q. You would run into them there; is
9	A.	Yes.	9	that correct?
10	Q.	You would have contact with them	10	A. Yes.
11	during th	nat time?	11	Q. Did you ever, prior to 2002,
12	A.	Yes. They had a booth. They	12	attend any of the United Egg Producers meetings?
13	always	had a booth at the show. I can't recall	13	A. Not that I recall.
14	any time	e. But I mean, they had a booth and I	14	Q. Anyone else from Rose Acre attend
15	would g	o past their booth.	15	any of the United Egg Producers meetings prior
16	Q.	Okay. You also indicated that you	16	to 2002?
17	would se	ee them at the International Egg	17	A. I don't remember for sure. I
18	Commis	sion Conference?	18	don't I don't know.
19	A.	Yes.	19	Q. Did you participate in any of
20	Q.	Was that an annual conference?	20	their committees prior to 2002, either you or
21	A.	Yes. There's a spring and a fall.	21	anybody at Rose Acre?
22	Q.	Would you go to both, typically?	22	A. Not that I recall.
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1	Α.	Early on, I went to a few of the	1	Q. Okay. So other than these
2	falls. In	recent years, I've been going to	2	contacts at the conferences, you had no other
3	both.		3	contact with Al Pope or Gene Gregory; is that
4	Q.	Prior to 2002?	4	correct?
5	A.	Prior to 2002, I think I may have	5	MR. MONICA: Objection. Vague.
6	just wer	nt to the fall.	6	Ambiguous.
7	Q.	Would they have a booth there, Al	7	THE WITNESS: It's too long ago
8		d Gene Gregory?	8	for me to remember. I remember seeing them at
9	•	No.	9	the conferences, but I don't recall.
10	Q.	You would just see them there?	10	BY MR. STUEVE:
11		Al, no. Gene, after Al retired,	11	Q. Okay. So you knew who they were?
12		ame to a few, I remember.	12	A. Yes.
13	Q.	But Al Pope would have been prior	13	Q. You knew what United Egg Producers
14		would have been the head?	14	was about?
15	Α.		15	A. Yes.
16	Q.	Gene Gregory was kind of his right	16	Q. Did you receive any of their
17		an at that time?	17	they have this United Voices. Would you receive
18		Yes.	18	their newsletter prior to 2002?
19	Q.	All right. Then you also	19	A. Not that I know of.
20		ed the Urner Barry marketing conference.	20	Q. Anyone else at Rose Acre?
21		en was that?	21	A. Not that I recall.
22		It's annual.	22	Q. Do you ever remember being
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487 489 solicited to join United Egg Producers prior to that they joined. Do you know how much earlier prior to February 2002 you would have had this MR. MONICA: By you, you mean Rose conversation? Acre; right? A. No. I don't. MR. STUEVE: Uh-huh. MR. MONICA: Let him finish. THE WITNESS: For Rose Acre to be BY MR. STUEVE: solicited? Q. Do you recall documenting at that BY MR. STUEVE: time the communication with any customer that --9 Q. Yeah. about the UEP certified program? 10 10 A. Yeah. I think so. I think that A. I don't remember. 11 11 in conversations that -- don't know exactly Q. Do you remember the specific 12 12 when, and if it was one of the conferences. I customer that you believe had indicated to you 13 13 mean, I solicited a meeting -- you know, you that if Rose Acre did not join the UEP certified 14 guys ought to be thinking about joining United program, they would drop your business? 15 Egg Producers. There could have conversations. 15 A. Wal-Mart. 16 I'm sure there was. Q. Who at Wal-Mart told you that? 17 17 Q. Did you attempt to encourage A. CCF Brands. 18 18 management to join United Egg Producers? Q. So this was the egg broker for 19 A. Did I personally? Wal-Mart told you that? 20 20 Q. Yes. A. It was -- CCF Brands was a company 21 21 A. No. I sold eggs to that supplied Wal-Mart. 22 Q. Did you have a view one way or the Q. Any other customers? 488 490 other? MR. MONICA: Objection. Vague. A. No. Before 2002? No. THE WITNESS: Kroger is one of my Q. Were you involved in the decision customers who wanted UEP certified also. to join in 2002? BY MR. STUEVE: A. Yes. Q. I'm asking you prior to joining, Q. You were involved? 6 do you recall anyone else other than CCF Brands A. Yes. telling you that if you did not join the UEP Q. How were you involved? certified program, you would lose business? A. Because in 2002 with the animal MR. MONICA: Objection. You can 10 welfare program, I had customers that were going answer. 11 to require the UEP certified program and so I 11 THE WITNESS: Kroger. 12 12 was asked by Marcus about, you know, customers BY MR. STUEVE: 13 and what it would mean if we, you know, weren't Q. Who at Kroger? 14 a member. I said we would lose customers over 14 A. Gary Stull. 15 15 it if we didn't join. So ultimately, it wasn't Is he still with Kroger? 16 my decision, but I was asked questions about it. Α. 17 17 Q. And when did you have this Q. What was his position at Kroger at 18 18 conversation with Marcus? the time? 19 19 A. I don't remember for sure. It A. Egg buyer. 20 20 And when did you have this would have been prior to joining. 21 21 Q. All right. And we believe we've conversation with Gary Stull? 22 looked at the documents it was in February 2002 A. I don't remember exactly.

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491 493 Q. Was it prior to Rose Acre joining THE WITNESS: I'm not sure. Which UEP? standards are you referring to for Wal-Mart? A. I had a lot of conversations with BY MR. STUEVE: Gary. I can't recall exactly the timeframe. Q. Were you aware of other standards Q. It could have been afterwards? that were being implemented, for example, by FMI A. Like I said, I don't exactly at that time? A. In regards to FMI, back then it recall when. was my understanding that FMI, at the direction Q. Okay. Do you have any specific recollection of any customer other than Wal-Mart of their member supermarkets, were wanting --10 10 that you're sure that you had a communication because of pressure from the animal rights 11 11 with prior to joining UEP? groups, that there was pressure onto the 12 12 A. I had conversations with customers supermarkets that they needed to adopt some 13 13 every day. If you're asking me prior to 2000 -animal welfare program guidelines. And that's 14 when the contact from what I remember was made I just can't remember. 15 15 Q. But you do have a specific with -- UEP made contact or FMI jointly along 16 16 recollection that CCF Brands told you prior to with NCCR, National Council of Chain Restaurants 17 17 Rose Acre joining UEP that if they didn't join had meetings with UEP to discussed formulation 18 18 the UEP certified program, that they would lose of a scientific based animal welfare guideline 19 business? that could be standard through the industry so 2.0 20 MR. MONICA: Objection. Asked and we didn't end up with multiple animal welfare 21 21 answered. You can answer again. programs for every customer. 22 THE WITNESS: I was told And for us as a company, for Rose 492 specifically by CCF Brands that Wal-Mart was Acre, it was very important to have a standard going to require us to be part of the UEP base because we sold to so many different certified egg program. supermarkets it would have been hard to operate BY MR. STUEVE: our farms if we was operating under different Q. And you were told that prior to guidelines for many different customers. Rose Acre joining UEP. Is that your testimony? Q. When did you -- you testified about this contact between UEP and FMI. You A. To the best I can recall. Q. Now, at that time, did Rose Acre just testified about that? have an animal welfare program in place? A. Yes. 10 10 A. We've always had -- taken care of Q. Was that during the time -- did 11 11 that occur prior to Rose Acre joining UEP or our birds, because they're our livelihood. 12 12 afterwards? Without our birds, we're out of business. So 13 13 yes, we have an animal welfare program. It A. I don't recall. 14 wouldn't have been spelled out specifically like 14 Q. What's the basis of that 15 15 the scientific guidelines like the UEP program, understanding you just testified to? 16 16 A. Basis? but we've always taken care of our birds. 17 17 Q. Were you involved on behalf of UEP Q. Did Rose Acre explore the 18 18 with those discussions with FMI? possibility of adopting standards that Wal-Mart 19 19 had been supporting at that time, non-UEP A. No. 20 20 Q. What is the source of the standards? 21 21 MR. MONICA: Objection. Calls for information that you just testified to under 22 speculation. oath?

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495 497 A. It would have been either Q. I'm asking you, do you recall discussions or information coming from UEP. And evaluating McDonald's standards before making I believe there was letters that provided -the decision to join? that was communications between FMI and NCCR and A. I don't remember. UEP that was back and forth to the heads of the Q. Did you investigate whether there were other scientific based standards out there organizations discussing it. that UEP -- excuse me, that Rose Acre could Q. Is it your testimony as a non-UEP member, you would have been receiving these adopt? MR. MONICA: You can answer, but communications? 10 10 MR. MONICA: Objection as to I'm going to lodge an objection, he's not been 11 11 designated on these topics. You used the term timeframe. 12 12 you. You can give him your personal knowledge. THE WITNESS: No. It depends -- I 13 13 Go ahead and answer the question. don't know when I would have received the 14 THE WITNESS: I'm not personally 14 documentations. 15 15 aware -- I wouldn't be personally aware of it. BY MR. STUEVE: 16 Q. Sir, when do you believe -- first 17 BY MR. STUEVE: 17 of all, you've already testified you weren't 18 Q. Okay. Now, you were aware that 18 involved in the communications that supposedly 19 19 Rose Acre had concerns about the fact that UEP, took place between UEP and FMI; correct? 20 before they joined it, was engaged in management 20 A. Correct. 21 supply programs. Were you aware of that? Q. You can't tell me sitting here 22 MR. MONICA: Objection. 22 when those communications supposedly took place; 496 498 is that correct, sir? Mischaracterizes the truth. A. Not sitting here today. No. THE WITNESS: No. I wasn't. Q. Okay. And who told you about BY MR. STUEVE: these supposed communications that took place Q. Were you aware that Lois Rust believed that UEP would engage in shady deals? between UEP and FMI? A. I don't remember exactly. MR. MONICA: Objection. Q. Were you aware of an animal Mischaracterizes the truth and also vague and welfare audit that FMI had in place in 2002? ambiguous, calls for speculation. 9 MR. MONICA: Objection. THE WITNESS: No. I'm not aware 10 10 Mischaracterizes, in place. of that. 11 11 BY MR. STUEVE: THE WITNESS: I don't remember. 12 12 BY MR. STUEVE: Q. Were you aware of Marcus Rust's 13 13 Q. Did you attempt to investigate, intense distrust of UEP and in particular Al 14 prior to 2002, the standards that were being 14 Pope and Gene Gregory? 15 15 required by McDonald's? A. No. I'm not aware of that. 16 16 A. I was aware that McDonald's was Q. Were you aware of Marcus Rust's 17 17 formulating standards. Yes. intense distrust of Brann & Isaacson, the law 18 18 Q. Did you evaluate those before firm that provided compliance advice to UEP? 19 19 making the decision to join UEP certified A. No. I'm not aware of that. 20 20 program? Q. Were you aware that before Rose 21 A. I don't recall when McDonald's Acre joined the certified program that Rose Acre was concerned about the underlying purpose of issued their standards.

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499 501 the certified program, that their concern was least one committee, and I believe Marcus Rust that it was being used to restrict the supply of served on the Board. eggs and boost prices under the false pretense Q. KY Hendrix joined the producers of an animal welfare program? committee for animal welfare; correct? MR. MONICA: Objection. A. Yes. I don't know what year he MS. REDDING: Objection. joined, but yes, he was on that committee. MR. MONICA: Mischaracterizes Q. Let me show you what's been marked facts. as Exhibit 525. We walked through these with THE WITNESS: You have to read Marcus Rust. Use these as a point of reference 10 10 that back. That was a lot. 11 11 In 2002, it indicates that Marcus (The record was read as 12 12 Rust was a Board member. Do you see that? requested.) 13 13 MR. MONICA: Assert the same A. Yes. 14 14 Q. Mr. Rust has confirmed the objection. Add compound to my objection. You 15 15 can go ahead and answer if you understand. information on 525, but is that consistent with THE WITNESS: No. I'm not aware your recollection? And I'm specifically 17 17 of that. referring to 2002 here? 18 18 BY MR. STUEVE: MR. MONICA: I'm going to object Q. No one at Rose Acre shared with to the document. You should explain to him what 20 20 you that they were concerned that the certified it is before he answers any questions about it. 21 21 program and specifically its restriction on cage You've handed him a document 22 space was being used to boost prices under the you've prepared. He doesn't know what it is. 500 502 alleged agenda of animal rights; is that I'm sure he's never seen it because you prepared correct? it. I object to lack of foundation on this MR. MONICA: Objection. Assumes document. facts not in evidence. Compound. You can You can answer if you know. THE WITNESS: It's too long ago. answer THE WITNESS: No. I'm not aware I can't -- I don't remember who served on all of that. the committees. BY MR. STUEVE: BY MR. STUEVE: Q. When you joined UEP -- I'm talking Q. You remember, though, when you 10 10 about Rose Acre, you in particular were involved served on the Marketing Discovery Committee; 11 in several of the committees; is that correct, 11 right? 12 12 A. I remember serving on it. But sir? 13 13 going back, I can't tell you what years. Let me rephrase that. Let me 14 14 rephrase that. Q. You served on it for several 15 15 A. Okay. years; right, sir? 16 16 Q. I got my yous mixed-up here. When A. Yes. 17 17 UEP joined -- and excuse me. Back up. Q. You also knew Marcus Rust served 18 18 on the Board of Directors? When Rose Acre joined UEP in early 19 19 2002, there were several members of Rose Acre A. Yes. 20 20 that became involved in the UEP; correct? And he still serves on the Board Q. 21 A. I don't know what you mean by of Directors? 22 several, but I know I personally served on at A. Yes.

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503 505 Q. Exhibit 525 is a document that we BY MR. STUEVE: prepared that summarized the information that Q. Okay. Show you what's been marked was provided to us by Rose Acre in its as Exhibit 532. It's an e-mail communication interrogatory answers as well as UEP in their between Gene Gregory and Marcus Rust and then annual listing of folks who participated in the Marcus Rust -- excuse me. The lower hand, it's committees; okay? from Marcus to Gene Gregory and on top it's Gene A. Okay. Gregory to Marcus. Q. And it reflects here with respect Did you review this document in to your participation, you served on the preparation to responding to topic 20G? 10 Marketing and Price Discovery Committee from --A. No. 11 11 in 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, and 2006; correct? Q. Concerning Rose Acre's knowledge 12 12 A. That's what this document says. I of and participation in any industry or 13 13 can't recall the years I served on the committee collective efforts to decrease the egg supply? 14 14 off the top of my head. A. No. 15 15 Q. Okay. But you do recall serving Q. And, sir, if you would, up at the 16 16 on the committee for several years; right? top it says, Marcus, yes. And to think that 17 17 A. Yes. I do. when egg farmers try to manage supply to have 18 18 profitable business. Do you see that? Q. That was the committee that would 19 vote on the coordinated early kills, early A. Yes. 20 20 Q. And not ask for Government hand molts, and hatch reductions; correct? 21 21 MR. MONICA: Objection. Assumes outs, we find ourselves in a lawsuit. Do you 22 22 facts not in evidence. Mischaracterizes the see that? 504 506 factual record. You can answer if you know. A. Yes. I see that. THE WITNESS: I don't recall a Q. Now, Gene Gregory, who was one of committee vote. No. the leaders of UEP, certainly understood that BY MR. STUEVE: what the Marketing Committee was voting on was Q. On early molts. You don't an attempt to manage supply to have profitable remember a committee vote? business; right, sir? A. No. I don't. MR. MONICA: Objection. Q. On early kills? MS. REDDING: Objection. MR. MONICA: Objection. Calls for A. No. Q. Don't recall a committee vote? speculation and misinterprets this document. 11 A. No. I don't. 11 You can answer if you know. 12 12 Q. On hatch reductions? THE WITNESS: Could you repeat the 13 A. No. question? 14 (The record was read as 14 Q. Don't recall a committee vote? 15 15 A. No. requested.) 16 16 Do you recall a committee vote MR. MONICA: Same objections. 17 17 recommending that UEP certified companies only THE WITNESS: No. I had no idea 18 18 buy certified eggs? what Gene Gregory was thinking. 19 19 MR. MONICA: Objection. BY MR. STUEVE: 20 20 Q. Did you talk to Marcus Rust about Mischaracterizes the factual record. You may 21 answer. this e-mail in preparation to your testimony on THE WITNESS: No. I don't. behalf of Rose Acre with respect to 20G, sir?

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507 509 A. No. says, I don't think we have anything to be Q. Show you what's been marked as ashamed of by putting as many hens per cage as 536. Did you review this document in conditions permit, as that is doing what is preparation for your deposition today? economically right for consumers. Do you see A. No. that? Q. If you could turn to the second A. I see that. Yes. page of this e-mail from KY Hendrix to Lois Q. Then he states, rather than trying Rust, dated March 14, 2002. About halfway down, to restrict cage space to boost prices under the it says, I don't really know what this whole alleged agenda of animal rights. Do you see 10 10 motive is, but I think there is more to it than that? 11 11 animal welfare. I think some people think it A. I see that. 12 12 will make them rich or something. I've never Q. And it's my understanding that you 13 13 been and never will be for quotas. It seems to were not aware of that concern? 14 14 me that is somewhat the path they are taking. MR. MONICA: Objection. 15 15 Do you see that? BY MR. STUEVE: A. I see that. Yes. Q. By John Rust, a Board member of 17 17 Q. You did not speak with KY Hendrix, Rose Acre? 18 18 Lois Rust, Anthony Rust, Marcus Rust, Victor MR. MONICA: Objection. Vague and 19 Rigterink or David Hurd about this document in ambiguous. 20 20 preparation for your testimony on behalf of Rose THE WITNESS: I'm not aware of 21 21 Acre; is that correct, sir? this document. No. 22 22 BY MR. STUEVE: A. That's correct. 508 510 Q. Show you what's been marked as Q. Or the concern that was voiced by a Board member of Rose Acre in February of 2008? Exhibit 537. MR. BURKE: This is Jason Burke. MR. MONICA: Objection. Sorry to interrupt. Would it be possible to get THE WITNESS: I'm not going to Bates numbers on these documents? speculate on what John Rust meant by this. No. BY MR. STUEVE: MR. STUEVE: On the exhibits I'm not doing Bates numbers, the previously marked Q. I want to be clear, though, you ones. It's 537. were not aware as the head of sales at Rose BY MR. STUEVE: Acre, in February of 2008, of the concern that 10 Q. Did you review Exhibit 537 in rather than trying to restrict cage space to 11 preparation for your deposition today? 11 boost prices under the alleged agenda of animal 12 A. No. rights. Were you aware of that concern? 13 13 Q. All right. This is an e-mail at MR. MONICA: Objection. Vague. 14 the bottom here from John Rust, he's a member of 14 Objection. Vague, mischaracterizes this 15 the Board; correct? document. Mischaracterizes the facts. You can 16 16 A. Correct. answer. 17 17 Q. To Marcus Rust and this is dated THE WITNESS: As I stated, I'm not February 13, 2008; is that correct, the bottom aware what John Rust means by this. 19 19 there? BY MR. STUEVE: 20 20 A. That's what it says. Yes. Q. Okay. In preparation for your 21 21 Q. All right. And if you would, in deposition today, counsel for Rose Acre did not give you this document; correct, sir? that first paragraph there, second sentence, it

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511 513 A. Correct. would not doubt Marcus Rust on that. Q. You did not in preparation, in Q. Okay. And it says under UEP response to 20G, speak with Marcus Rust or John Marketing Committee recommendation. It says Rust about Exhibit 537; correct, sir? UEP's Marketing Committee met on March 11th, is A. Correct. now recommending the industry follow the plan Q. He goes on to state, we lose the identified below. And do you see down below it's all flocks, 62 weeks or older be placed moral right to argue for the continued right of into a molt starting April 1st and continue low cost production cost when we ourselves are manipulating the system under false pretenses. through July 1st. Do you see that? 10 Do you see that? A. Yes. I do. 11 11 A. I see that. Q. Dispose of spent hens four weeks 12 12 Q. All right. And that concern was earlier than the normal schedule starting 13 13 not shared with you by either Marcus Rust or April 1st and continuing through July 1st. Do 14 14 John Rust in February of 2008; is that correct, you see that? 15 15 sir? A. Yes. I do. 16 16 A. I'm not aware of what John means Q. The Marketing Committee was the 17 17 by this. committee you belonged to when UEP joined; 18 18 correct, sir? Excuse me. Let me rephrase that. Q. In preparation for your testimony today, you did not ask John or Marcus Rust about When Rose Acre joined UEP, the 20 20 what he meant when he says we lose the moral Marketing Committee is the committee that you 21 21 right to argue for continued right of low cost participated in; right? 22 22 production cost when we ourselves are A. I participated in the Marketing 512 514 manipulating the system under false pretenses; Committee. I don't recall the dates. correct? Q. Now, sir, if you would, let me A. I'm not aware of this document show you what's been marked as Exhibit 527? before today. MS. CRABTREE: Did you say 537? MR. STUEVE: 527. Q. Show you what's been marked as Exhibit 236. Were you shown this document in BY MR. STUEVE: preparation for your deposition today? Q. This is United Voices dated May 2002. See that up at the top. May 6th? A. No. Q. It's -- the title of it is Supply A. Yes. Program for April/July period. Do you see that? Q. It's been identified as 11 A. Yes. 11 Exhibit 527. Did counsel for Rose Acre show you 12 12 Q. And it's to all UEP members up at this document in preparation for your deposition 13 13 the top; right? today? 14 14 A. Yes. A. No. 15 15 Q. In March of 2002, Rose Acre was Q. If you would, the title right up 16 now a member of UEP; correct? at the top says prices should improve, but 17 17 A. I don't recall the exact date we supply action plan must be followed now. Do you 18 18 see that? ioined. No. 19 19 A. Yes. Q. We established with Mr. Rust it 20 20 Q. And down at the bottom here it has was February 2002. Do you have any reason to doubt that? in all bold there, molt all flocks 62 weeks or older and continue through July 1st. Do you see A. If -- if Marcus Rust said that, I

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515 517 that? stability of the industry if some minor supply A. Yes. I do. adjustments were not made very quickly. He Q. It says here right above that, it submitted the following motion. Motion it was says, it is in the best interest of everyone to moved by Baker and seconded by Fortin to follow the recommendation made by UEP's recommend the industry molt all flocks at Marketing Committee. It is as such, and then 62 weeks and dispose of spent lens by 108 weeks and that this plan of action take place the recommendation again is stated in bold; right, sir? immediately and carry through until August 1, A. Yes. It is. 2004. Carried. Do you see that? 10 10 Q. You would have been a member of A. Yes. 11 11 the Marketing Committee in May of 2002; correct? Q. Sir, is this the first time you 12 12 A. I don't remember. were aware that the Board of Directors of UEP, 13 13 Q. You did not review this document in which Mr. Rust sat on, approved a supply 14 14 in preparation for Rose Acre's -- in preparation adjustment program, as I just read? 15 15 for your testimony on behalf of Rose Acre in MR. MONICA: Objection. 16 response to 20G; is that correct? MS. REDDING: Objection. 17 17 A. Correct. THE WITNESS: One, there's nothing 18 18 MR. MONICA: I'm just going to that I'm looking at here that would tell me that 19 Marcus Rust approved anything. assert an ongoing objection. You could have 20 20 BY MR. STUEVE: clearly identified any documents you wanted him 21 21 to look at prior to this deposition. You did Q. Sir, what I'm asking you, if you 22 22 not do it. You are not asking questions about would just read back my question. 516 518 the topic. (The record was read as Q. Showing you what's been marked as requested.) Exhibit 528. These are the minutes of the Board BY MR. STUEVE: of Director meetings dated May 11th and May 12, Q. Answer my question, please. 2004. It's marked as Exhibit 528. MR. MONICA: Same objection. 6 Were you shown this document by THE WITNESS: I'm not aware of Rose Acre's counsel in preparation for your this. 8 BY MR. STUEVE: testimony in response to 20G? 9 9 Q. Show you what's been marked as A. No. 10 10 Q. You note under the minutes about Exhibit 215. These are the minutes of the 11 11 four rows down to the right, KY Hendrix is October 20, 2004 shell egg Marketing Committee. 12 12 listed there. Do you see that? Were you shown this document in preparation for 13 13 A. Yes. your deposition today? 14 14 Q. And then about four more rows down A. No. 15 15 in the middle Marcus Rust is listed there. Do Q. If you would under committee and 16 you see that? staff about three rows down, it lists you as 17 17 A. Yes. participating; is that correct, sir? 18 Q. All right. And then if you would, A. My name's there. Yes. 19 19 over on the second page, under Marketing Q. And over on the second page, it 20 20 Committee, it says, Committee Chairman Dolph says, recommendation to the Board, down at the 21 21 Baker presented the committee report and bottom there. Motion. It was moved by Wicker and seconded by Schimpf to recommend to the identified pending problems for the financial

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519 521 Board a plan for hens currently scheduled break? disposal between December 1, 2004, and July 1, THE WITNESS: Restroom. 2005, be disposed of four weeks earlier or MR. STUEVE: Sure. You need to reduce your flock size by 5 percent. Do you see take a break? that? THE WITNESS: Restroom, sure. MR. STUEVE: Can we reconvene in A. Yes. Q. You understand that to be a supply about five? MR. MONICA: Five or ten. and management recommendation; correct, sir? MR. MONICA: Objection. THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time is 10 Mischaracterizes the document. 10 10:29 and we are going off the record. 11 11 THE WITNESS: Would you repeat the (A brief recess was taken.) 12 12 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time is question? 13 13 (The record was read as approximately 10:38 a.m. and we are back on the 14 14 requested.) record 15 15 MR. MONICA: Same objection. BY MR. STUEVE: THE WITNESS: You have to Q. Show you what's been marked as 17 17 rephrase. I don't understand what you're Exhibit 119. Did you review this document in 18 18 preparation for your deposition today? asking. 19 A. No. I didn't. BY MR. STUEVE: 20 20 Q. You were designated under 20F to Q. Sir, you understand what is being 21 21 recommended here by the Marketing Committee, testify on behalf of Rose Acre concerning your which you sat on, is a recommendation for egg attendance at or participation in any economic 520 522 producers to reduce the flock size; correct, summit; is that correct? sir? Α. A. I see what's written here is what Q. And do you recall attending this I see. I'm not going to interpret it. summit? Q. Sir, actually this was, in fact, A. No. I don't. 6 discussed at a committee meeting which you Q. Okay. And Marcus Rust indicated participated in; correct? that, in fact, you did attend it. Do you have A. That's what this says, but I don't any reason to doubt that? 9 remember it. A. I don't recall attending it. 10 10 Q. You don't remember it? Q. Okay. In preparation for response 11 A. No. 11 to 20F, counsel did not provide you this 12 12 Q. Counsel for Rose Acre did not show document: is that correct, sir? 13 13 you Exhibit 215 in your preparation to testify A. That's correct. 14 in response to topic 20G on behalf of Rose Acre; 14 Q. Now, is it your testimony that you 15 believe you did not attend this conference? 16 16 A. Could you repeat that? A. No. I said I don't remember. 17 17 (The record was read as Q. One way or the other? 18 18 requested.) A. Yes. 19 19 THE WITNESS: Correct. Q. Okay. Let me show you -- do you 20 20 MR. MONICA: Counsel, do you think remember the discussion -- it's over on -- so 21 us showing him a document would have changed his we're looking at Exhibit 119, which is the recollection? I guess not. Can we take a November 16, 2004 egg economic summit

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523 525 presentation by Gene Gregory, and the numbers -back and tell me what you don't understand about the specific page I want you to look at the numbers are right up here in the middle so it's (The record was read as -- the last two digits is 47. requested.) A. Okay. THE WITNESS: I can't speak to Q. And do you remember this that because, quite honestly, I don't recall presentation here at all? being at the summit. A. I don't remember attending the BY MR. STUEVE: summit. I can't remember this presentation, Q. Sir, if you would underneath, in 10 10 either. that analysis about four rows down, it compares 11 11 Q. I'm asking if you would review it the hen inventory year end '03 to 2004, it shows 12 12 and see if that refreshes your recollection, 11.6 million increase. Do you see that? 13 13 sir? A. Yes. I see that. 14 14 A. No. It doesn't. Q. And then at the bottom, there's a 15 15 Now, this economic summit was comparison of the average October Midwest large 16 16 conducted in November of 2004 because there was quote in '03 to '04 and there's a drop in price 17 17 a significant concern by egg producers that the of 42.29 cents; correct? 18 18 egg supply was growing too fast and it was A. That's what's written here. 19 19 impacting prices. Do you recall that? Q. And then right underneath there, 20 20 MR. MONICA: Objection. he says, do you think we have a problem? Do you 21 21 MS. REDDING: Objection. see that? 22 THE WITNESS: No. I don't recall A. Yes. I do. 524 526 Q. That doesn't refresh your BY MR. STUEVE: recollection about the problem that was defined Q. And, if you would, over on 44? at that economic summit? A. Okay. A. As I stated before, I don't recall at all being at the summit. Q. It says just the facts. If you would, if you could review that, and confirm Q. This doesn't refresh your that the problem -- do you think we have a recollection? 8 problem? See that at the bottom, that that MR. MONICA: Objection. Asked and 9 problem is the growth in the supply of hens? answered. 10 10 MR. MONICA: Objection. Calls for THE WITNESS: I don't recall being 11 11 speculation. Please review the page and answer at the summit. 12 12 BY MR. STUEVE: 13 13 THE WITNESS: Can you repeat the Q. Marcus Rust was just mistaken when 14 question? 14 he said you were there? 15 15 BY MR. STUEVE: MR. MONICA: Objection. 16 16 Q. Yeah. First of all, does this Mischaracterizes Marcus Rust's testimony. 17 17 refresh your recollection that the problem that THE WITNESS: I don't know what 18 18 was identified by Gene Gregory of UEP to all of Marcus Rust said, but I don't recall being at 19 19 the egg producers who attended the economic this summit. 20 20 summit was the growth in the supply of hens? BY MR. STUEVE: 21 A. I don't understand your question. Q. Let me show you what's over on --MR. STUEVE: Why don't you read it over on 48. If you could review the columns

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527 529 here, first supply result on price during high (The record was read as demand period, the middle column is a million requested.) hens over -- or under same period last year, and MR. MONICA: Object to the form. then supply result on price during low demand. You can answer. Do you see that? THE WITNESS: I don't know which A. Yes. Marketing Committee meeting you're referring to. Are you referring to the economic summit? Q. And does that refresh your BY MR. STUEVE: recollection as to, again, the problem that was 9 Q. No. I'm asking you in this being presented at the economic summit in 10 10 November 2004, which is the negative impact on timeframe of the fall of 2004, do you recall 11 11 prices as a result of the growth in the hen this problem with the oversupply of hens being 12 12 population? discussed at the Marketing Committee of UEP? 13 13 MR. MONICA: Objection. Compound. MR. MONICA: Object to the form of 14 Convoluted. Calls for speculation. You can 14 the question. 15 15 answer. THE WITNESS: No. I don't recall. 16 THE WITNESS: As I've stated BY MR. STUEVE: 17 17 several times before, I don't recall being at Q. Now, if you would, over on 52, 18 18 it's the benefit of producing at 95 percent of this summit. 19 19 capacity. Do you see that? BY MR. STUEVE: 20 20 A. Yes. Q. Over on -- over on impact of 21 21 supply/demand price relationship on 51. Do you Q. It says, what would be the 22 22 see that? benefits of reducing the flock size by 528 530 A. Yes. 10 million hens? A 5 percent flock reduction Q. At the bottom, it states, to meet would achieve the 10 million goal. Do you see the demand for 2005 at profitable prices, the that statement? industry may need to reduce the projected flock A. Yes. I do. size by 10 million hens. Do you see that? Q. And then there is the economic A. Yes. 6 benefit of reducing flock size by 5 percent. Q. Do you remember that being That is depicted here on page 52 of Exhibit 115; discussed at the November 2004 economic summit? right, sir? A. As I've stated several times MR. MONICA: Object to the form of 10 10 before, I don't recall being at the 2004 the question. 11 economic summit. 11 THE WITNESS: Could you repeat 12 12 Q. Do you remember this problem that that, please? 13 13 was being identified here at the summit being (The record was read as 14 discussed at the Marketing Committee of UEP, 14 requested.) 15 15 which you were a member of in November 2004? MR. MONICA: Object to the form. 16 16 MR. MONICA: Object to form. THE WITNESS: I still don't 17 17 THE WITNESS: What meeting? understand. Can you read that again, please? 18 18 BY MR. STUEVE: (The record was read as 19 19 Q. Marketing Committee? requested.) 20 20 A. What meeting? MR. MONICA: Object to the form. 21 21 MR. STUEVE: If you would read THE WITNESS: Since I don't have 22 back my question. any recollection of this, I don't have an answer

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531 533 either way on that. THE WITNESS: No. I'm not -- I BY MR. STUEVE: was not part of this -- that I'm aware of part Q. Sir, it says right above the of this meeting, so anything that's here, I economic benefit analysis, it says, if all don't recall. producers made this adjustment, the 5 percent BY MR. STUEVE: flock reduction, what would be their individual Q. I'm just asking you, sir, you benefit; right? understand what's being referenced there under MR. MONICA: Object to the term stay committed to animal care certified space 9 economic benefit analysis. phase-in plan is the cage space reduction 10 10 THE WITNESS: Can you state that component of the certified program; correct? 11 11 MR. MONICA: Objection. You may again? 12 12 (The record was read as answer what your understanding is. 13 13 requested.) THE WITNESS: No. As far as 14 14 MR. MONICA: Objection. Misstates the -- what was intended or discussed at this 15 15 the document. You can answer. meeting, I do not recall. 16 THE WITNESS: What it states, it BY MR. STUEVE: 17 17 says if all producers made this adjustment, what Q. Sir, do not backfill cages. Do 18 18 would be their individual benefit? That's what vou see that? 19 it states right there. A. I see that. 20 20 BY MR. STUEVE: Q. That's referencing the certified 21 21 Q. The adjustment he's referring to program's prohibition on backfilling of cages; 22 is the 5 percent flock reduction; is that correct, sir? 532 534 MR. MONICA: Objection. You can correct, sir? MR. MONICA: Object to the form. answer. THE WITNESS: If that's what THE WITNESS: It just says do not this -- if that's what that was referring to. I backfill cages. It doesn't reference anything don't have knowledge of it. else. BY MR. STUEVE: 6 BY MR. STUEVE: Q. Sir, if you could, over on 53, it Q. Of course, both bullet point 1 and says management recommendations. Stay committed bullet point 2, if followed, would reduce the to animal care certified space phase-in plan. supply of hens; correct, sir? 10 10 Do you see that? MR. MONICA: Objection. 11 A. Yes. 11 THE WITNESS: No. Not 12 12 Q. You understand that to be the necessarily. 13 13 reduction in cage space under the certified BY MR. STUEVE: 14 program; right? 14 Q. Bullet point number 3, dispose of 15 MR. MONICA: Objection. Give me a 15 spent hens at younger ages. That also would 16 16 chance to object. Object to the form of the reduce the flock size; correct, sir? 17 17 question. MR. MONICA: Object to the form of 18 THE WITNESS: No. I don't. the question. You can answers. 19 19 BY MR. STUEVE: THE WITNESS: No. There's too 20 20 Q. You don't know what that means, many other factors. If you're putting in new 21 21 sir? cages and adding birds, not necessarily. 22 MR. MONICA: Same objection. BY MR. STUEVE:

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535 537 Q. Did you talk to Marcus Rust about you see that? Exhibit 115 in preparation for your deposition A. Yes. today in response to topics 20F and 20G? Does that refresh your A. I don't believe I have an recollection that you attended that summit? Exhibit 115. Α. Q. Okay. Do you know who Marty Q. Excuse me, 119. Let me rephrase Eisenstein is? that. Did you speak with Marcus Rust A. Yes. with respect to Exhibit 119 in preparation for Q. Who is he? 10 10 your deposition on behalf of Rose Acre in A. He's an attorney. 11 response to topics 20F and 20G? Q. For who? 12 12 A. No. I did not. A. For Brann Isaacson. 13 Q. Sir, let me show you what's been 13 Q. Have you met him before? 14 A. Yes. marked as Exhibit 251. Did you review this 15 document in preparation for your testimony in 15 Q. When did you meet him? 16 response to topics 20F and 20G? A. At some UEP meeting. 17 17 A. No. I did not. Q. Okay. Did the Marketing Committee 18 18 Q. If you would, it's dated ever meet in person? 19 19 November 18, 2004, it says, dear -- and then it A. Yes. 20 20 says if you do not read any other mail today Q. And when would it meet in person? 21 21 A. I don't know exactly when. please take the time to read this. Did I read 22 22 Q. Would it meet in person at the that correctly? 536 538 annual meeting? A. Yes. Q. It says, UEP hosted an egg A. It's possible. industry economic summit in Atlanta on Q. And the other meetings during the November 16th, and you missed it. Do you see year were by phone; is that correct? A. Not always, I don't believe. that? A. Yes. Q. So there were other meetings that Q. Then it goes on to -- I'm would have been in person other than the annual overwhelmed with the best UEP meeting ever. I meeting? A. I believe so. Yes. wish we would have put this one on DVD. Every 10 producer should have been there. Every one of Q. Okay. And when would those occur, 11 11 those other in person meetings during the year? us should hear it all again and again. Do you 12 see that? A. I don't remember when. 13 13 A. Yes. Q. Okay. Now, let me ask you. 14 Q. And then it -- it has, let us 14 It's -- on the bullet point summary of what was 15 15 share just a few bullet point, highlights of the discussed at the economic summit, November 2004, 16 16 agenda and speakers. Do you see that? over on -- over on the second page there under 17 17 A. Yes. the last bullet point, it says, UEP presented a 18 Q. And it states -- bullet point 2, bleak overview of the supply side of the 19 19 Marty Eisenstein from the firm of Brann & business and the pending problems with an ever 20 20 increasing flock size at a time when demand Isaacson advised the attendees on the protections and limitations of the appears to be diminishing. Did I read that Capper-Volstead cooperatives such as UEP. Do correctly?

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539 541 A. Yes. A. Yes. Q. Then it goes on, the next Q. As a member of UEP and an egg producer, I fully understand that by making my paragraph says, we then asked the attendees if intention known, that UEP will rely on my they wanted to be a part of the solution, all in bold and in quotes; is that correct? statement. Do you see that? A. Yes. A. Yes. Q. Do you recall receiving that, sir? Q. It says, we then asked the A. No. I do not recall receiving attendees if they wanted to be part of the solution in managing the supply to meet an that. 10 10 expected demand. Do you see that? Q. Of course, if the flock reduction 11 11 was reduced by 5 percent, as discussed at the A. Yes. 12 12 November economic summit, that would project to Q. It says, we offered the two 13 13 options that are now enclosed with this letter. approximately 10 million reduction in hens; 14 14 correct? Do you see that? 15 15 A. Yes. MR. MONICA: Objection. 16 16 THE WITNESS: I don't know that. Q. Now, does that refresh your 17 17 recollection that you attended that meeting? BY MR. STUEVE: 18 18 A. No. It doesn't. Q. That's what was reflected in the 19 economic summit presentation we looked at; Q. And then attached, again to 20 20 Exhibit 251, is -- on the -- on pages 42 and 43 correct, sir? 21 21 are two intention forms. Intention to meet MR. MONICA: Objection. 22 22 THE WITNESS: I don't know that to market needs. It's my company's intention to 540 542 dispose of hens that are currently scheduled for be accurate. disposal between January 1st and April 30, 2005, BY MR. STUEVE: four weeks earlier than previously scheduled. Q. But that was what was reflected in Do you see that? the presentation; correct, sir? A. Yes. I do. MR. MONICA: Objection. 6 Q. It says as a member of UEP and an THE WITNESS: If we can go back egg producer, I fully understand by making my and reread it, if you like? intention known, that UEP will rely upon my BY MR. STUEVE: 9 statement of intention. Do you see that? Q. Sure. Over on 52? 10 A. Yes. I do. A. Yes. 11 Q. Do you recall receiving this 11 Q. It says, a 5 percent flock 12 12 reduction would achieve the 10 million goal? document? 13 13 A. No. I don't recall receiving this A. That's correct. That's what that 14 document. 14 says. 15 15 Q. Then on the second page, it says, Q. That's in the November 2004 16 16 intention to meet market demand. Option 2. Do economic summit presentation marked as 17 17 you see that? Exhibit 119; correct, sir? 18 18 A. Yes. A. Correct. 19 19 Q. It's my company's intention to Q. All right. Show you what's been 20 20 marked as Exhibit 139. This is the UEP Board of reduce my own December 1st, 2004, flock size by 21 21 5 percent between the dates of January 1st Director minute meetings for January 25th, 2005; through April 30, 2005. Do you see that? is that correct?

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543 545 A. Yes. That's what's stated. down the economic summit. The economic summit So this is approximately highlighted some of the problems and some of you two months after the November 2004 economic have already reacted in a positive manner. We summit; is that correct, sir? need more of you to participate in a positive A. That's what's stated here. Yes. change. Thanks to those that have prepaid for Q. Now, it indicates about three your 2005 dues and assessments. Do you see lines down under Board members and staff, Marcus A. Yes. I do. Rust was in attendance; is that correct, sir? A. That's what's stated here. Yes. Q. The positive change he's referring 10 10 Q. And then under members and guests to was the intention forms that requested UEP 11 11 about six lines down, KY Hendrix and you are members to commit to reducing their flock size 12 12 listed, as well; correct? by 5 percent; correct? 13 13 A. That's correct. MR. MONICA: Objection. Calls for 14 14 Q. Were you shown Exhibit 139 by Rose speculation. 15 15 Acre's counsel in preparation for your testimony THE WITNESS: I don't know that. 16 16 today in response to topics 20F and 20G? BY MR. STUEVE: 17 17 A. No. Q. You don't recall being at that 18 18 Q. It states under the chairman's January 25, 2005, meeting; is that correct, sir? 19 19 A. That's correct. comments, you see down there? 20 20 A. Yes. Q. Now, under the Marketing Committee 21 21 There's -- it says, among the report. It's over on the next page, it says, 22 comments made by Chairman Deffner were the Wayne Mooney -- first of all, the Marketing 544 546 following and then there's a summary there; is Committee, this is in January 2005. You would that correct, sir? have been a member of the Marketing Committee; A. Yes. correct, sir? Q. Do you remember Chairman Deffner A. As I stated before, I don't making those statements to you and the other remember what years I was a member of the participants on the UEP Board of Directors committee. meeting of January 25, 2005? Q. If the documents indicate, in MR. MONICA: Objection as to fact, you were, do you have any reason to doubt participant. You can answer the question. the documents? 10 10 THE WITNESS: Well, no. I don't A. If there's documents that states 11 11 remember that. that I was there, then I don't have reason to 12 12 BY MR. STUEVE: doubt the document. No. 13 13 Q. It says -- he says about halfway Q. Sir, the sworn interrogatory 14 down, we don't have to accept low prices and we 14 answer of Rose Acre indicates that you were a 15 15 can have a good 2005 if we just make a few member of the Marketing and Price Discovery 16 16 changes and work together. Did I read that Committee from 2002 to approximately 2006. Do 17 17 correctly? you have any reason to doubt that sworn answer 18 A. Yes. You did. by Rose Acre? 19 19 Q. Do you remember him making that A. By who from Rose Acre? 20 20 Q. It was verified by Joseph A. statement to you in January 2005? 21 21 A. No. I don't. Miller, who is the in-house counsel sitting here Q. And then he references two lines today?

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547 549 A. I would have no reason to doubt to. that then if Joe verified it. Q. Well, let's pull out the exhibit. Q. This is dated January 2005, which It's Exhibit 251. And keep that document in would have been in that timeframe identified by front of you there, sir. Do you see that? Do Rose Acre that you were a member of the you have 251 there? Marketing Committee; correct, sir? A. Yes. Q. And if you would, option 1. Can A. Yes. Q. And, in fact, looking at 139, you you find option 1 that was attached there? are listed as a participant in this meeting A. Yes. 10 10 dated January 25, 2005; right? We just looked And then if you could refer then 11 11 at that? back to 139 under the Marketing Committee 12 12 A. I was a guest. report, it says, Mooney reported on the number 13 13 Q. It says members and guests; right? of companies that have made their intentions 14 14 A. Oh, I'm an UEP member; correct. known to either sell flocks early, that would be 15 15 Q. So Marketing Committee report over option 1; correct, sir? 16 on -- that 103 the last three digits, we've MR. MONICA: Objection. 17 17 established according to Rose Acre's records you Mischaracterizes the document. 18 18 THE WITNESS: But what I'm saying were a member: correct? 19 A. Of the Marketing Committee; from this, just this paragraph here in the 20 20 correct. Marketing Committee report, it does not 21 21 reference when. It does reference companies --Q. Now I'm going to direct you to 22 your committee's report, see that at the bottom it does say intentions known to either sell 548 550 of 103? flocks early or reduce their flocks by A. Yes. I do. 5 percent. But just reading this it doesn't --Q. Who was Wayne Mooney? it's not referencing this exact -- it's A. Wayne was -- I don't know if he referencing reducing the flocks by 5 percent, but what I'm just stating, it's not saying was general manager, but I know he took care of sales for Pilgrim's Pride in Texas. that -- it's not referencing a date or time of Q. He says Wayne Mooney presented the when. BY MR. STUEVE: committee report and then called upon Gene Q. But you can confirm January 25th Gregory to review a number of industry 10 statistics. Mooney reported on the number of would be approximately two months after the 11 11 companies that have made their intentions known November economic summit; right, sir? 12 12 to either sell flocks early or reduce their A. Yes. I can. 13 13 flock size by 5 percent. Do you see that? Q. If you could, just confirm that 14 A. Yes. I do. 14 Mooney reported on the number of companies that 15 15 Q. Those were the two intention form have made their intentions known to either sell 16 16 plans that we saw earlier; correct? flocks early, that is what option 1 was 17 17 MS. REDDING: Objection. identified; right? 18 BY MR. STUEVE: MR. MONICA: Objection. It's not 19 19 Q. Remember, you could either option what it says. 20 20 THE WITNESS: I'm just saying 21 21 A. By reading just this, it's not -this -- this paragraph is not referencing any I'm not exactly sure which forms he's referring certain document, just the intentions of the

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551 553 known to either sell flocks, reduce flocks by to answer it. 5 percent. MR. MONICA: Counsel, you keep BY MR. STUEVE: threatening the witnesses. It is inappropriate, Q. Can you confirm for me, sir, that please don't do it. Let him answer the option 1 is an intention to sell flocks early? question. A. We're going back to the other THE WITNESS: I'm not going to document? draw any conclusions of something that I don't Q. Yeah. have any knowledge about. 9 A. In Exhibit 251? MR. STUEVE: If you could go ahead 10 10 Q. Uh-huh. and ask my question. 11 11 A. In that exhibit from November 18, (The record was read as 12 12 2004, intention to meet market needs. Option 1. requested.) 13 13 Q. And that is an option to sell THE WITNESS: As I stated before, 14 14 flocks early; correct, sir? I'm not going to draw a conclusion to something 15 15 MR. MONICA: Objection. I'm not aware of. 16 16 MS. REDDING: Objection. BY MR. STUEVE: 17 17 THE WITNESS: That option states Q. And then, sir, option number 2 18 18 that -- it references just four weeks earlier that is attached to the November 18th, 2004, 19 19 than previously scheduled. Yes. Exhibit 251, did you find option number 2? 20 20 BY MR. STUEVE: A. Yes. 21 21 Q. So that's a recommendation to sell Q. That is requesting that UEP 22 22 flocks early; correct, sir? members sign their intention to reduce their 552 554 MR. MONICA: Objection. December 1, 2004, flock size by 5 percent; THE WITNESS: We can all read it. right? Like I said, I don't have a recollection of A. I'll state the same as I did being at that meeting so I'm not going to before. Since I'm not aware of this document. then I'm not going to draw conclusions to it. discuss a document. BY MR. STUEVE: Q. And then if you would, if you can Q. Sir, I'm just asking you to turn to Exhibit 139 under the Marketing confirm what is reflected in intention number Committee report, which you were a member of, it says, Mooney reported on the number of companies 1 --10 A. I can read it if you like. that have made their intentions known to either 11 11 sell flocks early or reduce their flock size by Q. And what it is asking for UEP 12 5 percent. That's option number 2; correct, members to commit to is to sell their flocks 13 13 early, as outlined in option number 1; correct, 14 sir? 14 MS. REDDING: Objection. Calls 15 MR. MONICA: Same objection. 16 16 THE WITNESS: As I stated, there's THE WITNESS: I can read it if you 17 17 like, but I'm not going to draw any conclusions nothing that I'm reading here in Exhibit 139 18 under the marketing report refers to what from it. 19 19 BY MR. STUEVE: Mr. Mooney is referring to. No other documents. 20 20 BY MR. STUEVE: Q. Sir, I'm going to give you one 21 21 more chance to answer my question, and then Q. But you can confirm that this Marketing Committee report was presented on we'll ask the Court to ask you -- to order you

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555 557 January 25, 2005, approximately two months after A. No. I don't remember. the intention forms were sent out; correct, sir? Q. Now, again, if you turn back to MS. REDDING: Objection. option number 1, under 251, November 2004, THE WITNESS: No, because I'm not option number 1. It is my company's intention aware of the other forms, so I'm not going to to dispose of hens that are currently scheduled speculate that they were sent out. disposal between January 1st and April 30, 2005, BY MR. STUEVE: four weeks earlier than previously scheduled. Q. Sir, if you would, if you look at Did I read that correctly? 251. The date of that is November 18, 2004; A. Yes. 10 10 riaht? Q. And then, if you look at the 11 11 motion, it's your committee is recommending that A. Yes. 12 12 Q. And attached to it is option 1 and that intentions program for flocks to be 13 13 option 2; right? disposed of four weeks earlier than previously 14 14 A. Yes. scheduled be extended through Labor Day. 15 15 Q. And then Exhibit 159 -- 139 and They're referring to option number 1 in 251; 16 the committee report that we're referring to is correct, sir? 17 17 dated approximately two months later, MS. REDDING: Objection. Calls 18 18 January 25, 2005; correct, sir? for speculation. 19 19 A. Correct. MR. MONICA: I think it 20 20 Q. All right. And we are reading mischaracterizes what happened, too, who was 21 21 from the Marketing Committee report on 103. Now 22 22 THE WITNESS: Yeah. No. I I want to direct you to 104. It says this was 556 558 don't -- it doesn't state that there. No. the motion pursuant to the Marketing Committee report. It was moved by Mooney and seconded by BY MR. STUEVE: Dean to recommend that the current intentions Q. Then it says, or flock size program for flocks to be disposed of four weeks reduction of 5 percent be extended through Labor earlier than previously scheduled, and/or flock Day. That would be option number 2, attached to size reduction by 5 percent be extended through Exhibit 251 being extended through Labor Day; Labor Day. And it was carried. Do you see right, sir? MS. REDDING: Objection. 9 A. Yes. I see that. THE WITNESS: No. It doesn't 10 Q. This is reflected in the meetings state that here. 11 minutes in which Marcus Rust, KY Hendrix and you 11 BY MR. STUEVE: 12 12 of Rose Acre were present; correct, sir? Q. What it states is the current 13 13 A. That's what this states, yes. intention program for stocks to be disposed of 14 14 Q. Does that refresh your four weeks earlier than previously scheduled, 15 15 recollection at all, looking at this document? which is reflected in option number 1 be 16 16 MR. MONICA: Objection. extended through Labor Day, or flock size 17 17 THE WITNESS: Refresh my reduction by 5 percent, which is option number 2 18 18 recollection of what? be extended through Labor Day, that's what it 19 19 BY MR. STUEVE: says; right, sir? 20 20 Q. That you were there and all these MR. MONICA: Objection. That's 21 21 things being discussed that we've been not what it says. 22 reviewing? MS. REDDING: Objection.

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559 561 THE WITNESS: No. You said we, he said. and I never said it, and you said it. And you Q. Starting in '07, according to Rose just said in your thing that we said it. And I Acre's records, Marcus Rust began participating did not. I stated before that there is nothing in the Marketing Committee. Do you recall that? in this motion that references that exact A. Do you have records from Rose Acre document from what I'm reading here. stating that? BY MR. STUEVE: Q. Yes. Do yo recall that, though? A. I don't remember, no. Q. This does not refresh your 9 recollection about your attendance at this Q. You don't? 10 A. No. meeting; is that correct, sir? 11 11 A. No. It doesn't. You don't know one way or the 12 12 Q. Did counsel for Rose Acre give you other whether or not Marcus Rust participated in 13 13 Exhibit 139 and ask you to discuss it with the Marketing Committee starting in 2007 and 14 into '08, '09. Marcus Rust and KY Hendrix in preparation for 15 15 your testimony on behalf of the company in A. No. I don't remember that. response to 20G or 20F? Q. You don't ever recall having 17 17 A. No, sir. discussion with him about him replacing you on 18 18 Q. Show you what's been previously the Marketing Committee? 19 19 marked as Exhibit 111 -- actually, I think it's A. No. I don't. 20 20 two pages? Q. Why did you stop participating in 21 21 the Marketing Committee? MR. MONICA: Keep those together. 22 22 A. I don't know. Here's a clip. 560 562 BY MR. STUEVE: Q. Did -- in June of 2005, you still would have been a member of the Marketing Q. These are the UEP shell egg Marketing Committee conference call minutes of Committee; right? June 1, 2005; is that correct, sir? A. Yes. A. That's what it states. Yes. Q. Was this document, Exhibit 111, Q. And you're identified as shown to you by Rose Acre's counsel in preparation for your testimony on behalf of Rose participating; is that correct? Acre in response to 20G? A. Yes. My name's there. Q. As well as Marcus Rust; right? A. No. 10 A. Yes. His name's there. Q. If you would, over on the second 11 11 page -- actually, before I get there, over on Q. Now, did Marcus Rust ultimately 12 12 take over your responsibilities on the Marketing the first page, at the bottom, it says, Paul 13 13 Committee? Osborn suggested that UEP issue an industry egg 14 A. Not that I'm aware of. 14 economic alert in which information on price 15 Q. How long -- did you continue to forecasts, along with possible solutions to the 16 16 serve on the Marketing Committee in '07 and '08 economic problem could be communicated. Do you 17 17 and '09 and 2010? see that? 18 A. I don't remember. If there was --A. Yes. I do. 19 19 from what you stated before, that counsel Q. Do you remember that being 20 20 provided -- said I attended from '02 to '06, if discussed at that June 2005 meeting, sir? Joe stated that in a document from Rose Acre A. No. I don't. Q. Over on the next page, it says, that's all I would know for sure if that's what

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563 565 under motion, it was moved by Osborn and Q. Under the Marketing Committee seconded by Schimpf that UEP distribute an minutes of March 31, 2006, about two-thirds economic alert to the members and that the alert down, it says motion. It was moved by Baker and include a price forecast and a list of possible seconded by Schimpf to recommend to the members options to correct the oversupply problem. a program calling for the flocks to be molted Carried. Do you see that? six weeks earlier than previously scheduled and dispose of spent hens six weeks earlier than A. Yes. I do. previously scheduled. Did I read the motion Q. Do you remember participating in that meeting and the recommendation being correctly? 10 approved that UEP distribute an economic alert A. Yes. You did. 11 11 Q. It indicates the motion passed to the members, and that it would include a 12 12 price forecast and a list of possible options to unanimously; is that right, sir? 13 13 correct the oversupply problem? A. That's what's stated here. 14 14 Q. You understand that the purpose of A. No. I don't remember that. 15 15 Q. And this doesn't refresh your that motion was to reduce the supply of hens in 16 recollection? order to reduce the supply of eggs and boost egg 17 A. No. It doesn't. 17 prices; correct, sir? 18 18 Q. You did not discuss Exhibit 111 MR. MONICA: Objection. Calls for 19 19 with Marcus Rust in preparation for your speculation. You can answer. 20 20 THE WITNESS: I'm not going to testimony today in response to topic 20G on 21 behalf of Rose Acre; is that correct, sir? draw conclusions on something I wasn't a part 22 22 A. That's correct. 564 566 MR. MONICA: I'm just going to put BY MR. STUEVE: a continuing objection on the record. If you Q. Do you remember ever discussing look at the Notice, counsel, it says that Marcus the contents of this motion with Marcus Rust? Rust was designated for topics 20D and E, which A. Not this specific motion, but the are participation and attendance at meetings. topic, Rose Acre has a firm policy that we do You've had him for two days. You asked him not molt flocks early and restrict flocks questions about these. This witness is not because we can't because our birds, we have our designated on these topics. You know that. own hatcheries and breeder farms. In our BY MR. STUEVE: production system, we couldn't adhere to 10 10 Q. Show you what's been marked as changing our schedules because we have to plan 11 11 Exhibit 170. This is the Marketing Committee everything 18 months in advance on our flock 12 12 minutes, March 31st, 2006, and identifies Marcus placements. So if we were to try to -- if we 13 13 Rust. Do you see that? actually participated or did something like 14 14 A. Yes. this, it would throw off our entire flock 15 15 Q. Was this document, Exhibit 170, program schedule. We are different than a lot 16 16 provided to you by counsel in preparation for of producers, since we have our own breeder 17 17 your testimony today in response to 20G? farms. It's not very common at all in the 18 A. No. industry to have your own birds. So it would 19 19 Q. Did you meet with Marcus Rust and never work for our company. 20 20 MR. STUEVE: I move to strike the discuss Exhibit 170 in preparation for your 21 21 response to 20G? answer as nonresponsive, and ask if you could A. No. read back my question.

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569 567 THE WITNESS: I cannot speak to MR. MONICA: I object to your motion to strike. Please read the answer back this. I was not part of this. as well as the question. BY MR. STUEVE: MR. STUEVE: I don't want the Q. Would you have an understanding as answer read back. I want my question asked to why the Marketing Committee would have recommended that the members, the UEP members again. MR. MONICA: Well, I want to hear molt six weeks earlier their flocks than the answer to your question. If you want to ask previously scheduled, and dispose of spent hens your question, go ahead. six weeks earlier than previously scheduled? 10 BY MR. STUEVE: A. No. I'm not going to speculate on 11 11 what this was. Q. I'll ask it again. 12 12 Sir, did you discuss the contents Q. And then in the -- also what's 13 13 of this motion that is reflected in March 31st, reflected in Exhibit 170 is Gregory announced 14 14 2006, with Marcus Rust? that he would send out a supply demand alert to 15 15 A. As I stated before, not this the industry as quickly as possible? 16 specific motion, but this topic of moulting and MR. MONICA: On the second page. 17 17 selling out hens early, as I stated, would not THE WITNESS: That's what's stated 18 18 work for our company because we have a strict there. 19 19 BY MR. STUEVE: company policy, we can't do that because of our 20 system. We have our own breeder farms, our own Q. Do you remember that economic --21 hatcheries, so with us producing our own birds, the supply demand alert being sent out by UEP, 22 we could not do something like this. As a sir? 568 570 company, we don't. A. No. I don't recall that. Q. Sir, the motion indicates it was Q. Let me show you what's been marked passed unanimously; is that correct, sir? as Exhibit 531. This is a document that is --A. That's what's stated here. if you look at the bottom produced by Rose Acre. See here it says RAFKS 0004654. Do you see Q. Marcus Rust is identified as a participant in the meeting? A. His name is on this paper. Yes. A. Yes. Q. And it says right at the top, from Q. And if egg producers -- let me Chad Gregory, UEP, it should come as no surprise back up. Even if Rose Acre did not participate 10 in this, if there were enough egg producers that to any of you that UEP will not have a Marketing 11 11 Committee in 2010, nor the foreseeable future. did, this would reduce the supply of hens; 12 12 Do you see that? correct, sir? 13 13 MR. MONICA: Objection. A. Yes. I do. 14 14 THE WITNESS: No. Not Q. Were you aware that after UEP and 15 15 necessarily. You don't know how many people Rose Acre and other members of UEP were sued 16 16 that UEP disbanded the Marketing Committee? adding houses, it happens all the time, we're 17 17 A. No. I don't remember when that building chicken houses. 18 18 BY MR. STUEVE: happened. 19 19 Q. You were aware, though, it was Q. So this was just passed for grins 20 2.0 by the Marketing Committee? disbanded, sir? 21 21 MR. MONICA: Objection. You're A. I'm aware today that there is not 22 taunting the witness. Please don't do it. a Marketing Committee.

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571 573 Q. When did you learn that, sir? motion to strike. Please read back the answer, A. I don't remember. (The record was read as Q. Sir, if you could, turn to 24 in 517. It's the -- it's my understanding you've requested.) been designated on behalf of Rose Acre to BY MR. STUEVE: testify about topics L and M. Can you find L Q. Let me make sure you understand my and M there? question. Did you, in preparation for 24L, A. Yes. Q. Is that your understanding? attempt to go back through the records of and 10 10 A. Yes. documents of Rose Acre to determine what impact, 11 Q. So 24L states, the impact of the if any, the animal care certified program had on 12 12 animal care certified program and the UEP the flock size of Rose Acre? 13 13 certified program on the supply of eggs and egg MR. MONICA: Counsel, he just told 14 14 products. Do you see that? you he knows the answer to that. Why don't you 15 15 A. Yes. I do. ask him. 16 16 THE WITNESS: Yeah. Like I --Q. What did you do in preparation to 17 17 testify on behalf of Rose Acre in response to MR. STUEVE: Hold on just a 18 18 241? second. I'm going to ask that Mr. Monica not 19 19 A. On L, I -- from Rose Acres I instruct the witness how to answer. Read back 20 20 my question and I would ask for you to answer really can't draw a conclusion to what the 21 21 impact is. I think you would require an 22 22 economist to tell you that. MR. MONICA: You're trying to 572 574 Q. Did you attempt to determine the trick him. You've harassed him, belittled him. impact of the animal care certified program on Now you're trying to trick him. I ask you to the -- Rose Acre's flock size? stop doing it. Just ask the question. MR. MONICA: Objection. That's MR. STUEVE: We'll let the jury not what that asks. decide whether we're trying to trick him. THE WITNESS: Could you repeat MR. MONICA: I'm sure they will. that? MR. STUEVE: A rude awakening (The record was read as here. MR. MONICA: For your side. requested.) 10 MR. MONICA: Same objection. You MR. STUEVE: We'll see. 11 11 MR. MONICA: You will. can answer. 12 12 THE WITNESS: For Rose Acres, on MR. STUEVE: Looking forward to 13 13 our flock size, it really had no impact because it. 14 14 we -- during -- since the program's -- even (The record was read as 15 15 prior to the program's inception, and through requested.) 16 16 MR. MONICA: Object to the form. today, I can't remember no time in our history 17 17 that we haven't been building chicken houses. You can answer. 18 18 THE WITNESS: As I previously MR. STUEVE: Move to strike the 19 19 answer as nonresponsive. I would ask you to stated, that Rose Acres, prior to, during, and 20 20 read back the question and ask you to answer it even through today, Rose Acres I can't remember 21 for me, sir. any time in the history since 1980 since I've been a part of Rose Acres that we have not been MR. MONICA: I object to the

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575 577 company, we have continued -- no time during building chicken houses. So our flock size was not impacted by this program. That's my answer. that period have we not been building chicken BY MR. STUEVE: houses, so the program did not have an impact on Q. I'm going to give you one more our flock size. chance to answer it, then we'll bring it back to MR. STUEVE: I'm going to certify the Court. Read it back and ask you to answer that question as not responsive. MR. MONICA: We would like to take A. I've answered it twice. a break for a couple minutes. MR. STUEVE: No. It's not -- I'm Q. I'll give you one more chance. 10 10 A. Why? I've answered it twice. not done with my line of questioning. 11 11 Q. You have to answer it one more MR. MONICA: Counsel, you said at 12 12 time. the beginning, he can take a break --13 13 Okay. I'll give you my same THE WITNESS: I have to go to the 14 14 answer. restroom. 15 15 MR. MONICA: We object. You're MR. MONICA: We want a break. 16 16 harassing -- you continue to harass the witness. Thank you. 17 17 Repeat the same question. MR. STUEVE: I want the record to 18 18 reflect, counsel is the one broke off, not the THE WITNESS: You'll get my same 19 answer, you can ask me a hundred times. I'll witness. I did tell the witness he could let me 20 20 give you the same answer. know when he wanted to take a break. 21 21 MR. STUEVE: I'm going to ask you MR. MONICA: Sir, do you want to 22 22 one more time. take a break? 576 578 THE WITNESS: Okay. Just one THE WITNESS: I need to go to the more? restroom. BY MR. STUEVE: THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time is Q. Yeah. Then we'll get the judge 11:42 a.m. We are going off the record. involved and have him review the transcript. (A brief recess was taken.) A. All right. Good. THE VIDEOGRAPHER: This is the MR. MONICA: Counsel, you are start of media unit number four. We're back on continuing to harass the witness. The video is the record at 11:50 a.m. 9 going to show it, the transcript is going to BY MR. STUEVE: 10 10 show it. I ask you for the fifth time to stop Q. Sir, did you discuss your 11 11 doing it. You are agitating the witness on testimony with Molly Crabtree, counsel for Rose 12 12 Acre during this break? purpose. Please go ahead read it back. Greg, 13 13 answer it again. A. No. 14 THE WITNESS: I will. 14 Q. Okay. Let me show you what's been 15 15 (The record was read as marked as Exhibit 575? 16 16 (Exhibit Number 575 was marked for requested.) 17 17 MR. MONICA: Same objection. identification.) 18 18 Please answer. BY MR. STUEVE: 19 19 THE WITNESS: As I've stated twice Q. And this is Bates range RA 0071932 20 2.0 to 33. Did you review this, the document, in previously, Rose Acre Farms, before the 21 21 certified program and as early as my preparation for your deposition today? recollection, 1980 when I began with the A. No.

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579 581 Q. If you could, you could look down presidents under our old structure. And then on the bottom of the first page of 575, it's Lois Rust was president and chairman of the from James Rust to Marcus Rust dated June 15, Board. 2008. Do you see that? BY MR. STUEVE: A. Yes. Q. My question is again, was there Q. That would be approximately six anybody above Marcus Rust before Lois Rust? years after Rose Acre would have been a part of A. Not above. No, sir. the UEP certified program; is that right, sir? Q. Okay. Now, James Rust's statement 9 A. Correct. that since we lost so much capacity due to 10 10 Q. And it says, I disagree adding to animal care. Do you see that? 11 11 existing farms only makes them more efficient. A. Yes. 12 12 Do you see that line? Q. This document was not provided to 13 13 A. Yes. you by counsel for Rose Acre; is that correct, 14 14 Q. Then the next one down. Since we 15 15 lost so much capacity due to animal care, A. That's correct. 16 16 building houses at those farms -- excuse me, let Q. And you did not review it in 17 17 me reread that. preparation for your testimony on behalf of Rose 18 18 Since we lost so much capacity due Acre in response to 24L; is that correct, sir? 19 A. That's correct. to animal care. Do you see that? 20 A. Yes. 20 Q. All right. Show you what's been 21 21 Q. Building houses at those farms is marked as Exhibit 554. If you look at the 22 a must, just to hold our own. Do you see that? bottom, this is a document produced by Rose 580 582 Acre. It's previously been marked. A. Yes. Q. This document which is between If you look -- first of all, was James Rust -- he's a Board member; right, sir? this document shown to you by Rose Acre's A. Yes. He is. counsel in preparation for your deposition Q. To Marcus Rust, who is a Board today? member and also running the company with his A. No, sir. Q. If you go on down to the bottom mother at this time; is that right? MR. MONICA: Objection. half. It -- starting with the line that says, on Tuesday, June 21, 2011. Do you see that? THE WITNESS: I'm fine with 10 running the company, but Marcus Rust was A. Yes. 11 11 vice-president of -- he was executive Q. And this is at 9:50 a.m. in the 12 12 morning, Marcus Rust. Do you see that reference vice-president of sales and construction. 13 13 BY MR. STUEVE: there? 14 14 Q. Was there anybody above him, A. Yes. 15 15 besides his mother? Q. All right. And this is an e-mail 16 16 from Marcus Rust to Ruth Ann Hendrix, if you MR. MONICA: Objection. 17 17 BY MR. STUEVE: look over on the next page, you'll see her 18 18 Q. At this time? initial e-mail; is that correct? 19 19 MR. MONICA: Objection. A. From Ruth Ann to Marcus. 20 2.0 THE WITNESS: As far as -- at that Q. Right. Right above that which is 21 21 time we had several executive vice presidents. the portion I'm going to be reviewing with you is Marcus's e-mail back to Ruth Ann. Is that Marcus was one of several executive vice

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583 585 correct, sir? referring to there, sir, is the animal care MR. MONICA: Objection. certified program's cage space requirements; correct? THE WITNESS: I'll have to read it because it doesn't -- in the document, it MR. MONICA: Object to form. doesn't state who Marcus wrote it to, unless THE WITNESS: I can't draw a it's mentioned in here. I can read it and see. conclusion what Marcus is referring to. BY MR. STUEVE: BY MR. STUEVE: Q. If you look at the e-mail string, Q. You did not discuss this statement the string starts with -- this is the form it in Exhibit 554 with Marcus Rust in preparation 10 10 was produced to us. It starts with an e-mail for your testimony in response to 24L; is that 11 11 from Ruth Ann to Marcus; right? correct, sir? 12 12 A. Yes. It does. A. That is correct. 13 13 Q. Dated June 21, 2011, at 8:22? Q. Are you aware of any other cage 14 A. That's what's stated here. Yes. space increase program that Rose Acre was 15 15 Q. On June 21, 2011, same day, involved in other than the UEP certified 16 approximately a little over an hour later, it program? 17 17 appears that Marcus Rust is responding to that MS. REDDING: Objection. 18 18 e-mail; is that fair to say? MR. MONICA: I join the objection. 19 19 A. If I can read it, I can see. You can answer. 20 Q. Sure. 20 THE WITNESS: Repeat the question, 21 21 A. Sorry. please. 22 Q. Actually, I can shortcut this. If BY MR. STUEVE: 584 586 you look right above on the first page? Q. Let me restate it. Are you A. Okay. aware -- we've been looking at Marcus Rust's Q. It says, dear Marcus, thanks for statement on June 21, 2011, that we reduced the taking time to respond. That's from Ruth Ann output potential of our farms by 25 to back to Marcus? 30 percent with the cage space increase. We've 6 A. Okay. Let me see. I just want to been looking at that statement; correct? make sure that I understand it, if I'm going to A. Yes. agree to what you're saying. It appears that Q. Are you aware of any other that is Marcus's response, based on -- they program, other than the animal care certified reference the Ohio Farm Bureau. program that Rose Acre was participating in that 11 11 Q. About halfway down in that had a cage space increase requirement? 12 12 response prepared by Marcus Rust on June 21, MR. MONICA: Object to the form of 13 13 2011, it states, starting with, did you know. the question. You can answer. 14 Do you see that, it's right after the HUS 14 THE WITNESS: Not that I recall. 15 15 question mark. Do you see that? 16 16 BY MR. STUEVE: A. Yes. 17 17 Q. Marcus Rust states, did you know Q. Show you what's been marked as 18 18 we reduced the output potential of our farms by Exhibit 567. Did Rose Acre's counsel give you 19 19 25 to 30 percent with the cage space increase to this document in preparation for your deposition 20 20 try and make a viable program. Do you see that? today? 21 A. Yes. I do. A. No, sir. Q. If you would, on the first page of Q. The cage space increase he's

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587 589 567, it's an e-mail from Joe Miller, who is the I would have to read more of the contents but I general counsel for Rose Acre; correct? have a vague recollection of receiving this A. Correct. e-mail. Yes. Q. Who's present at your deposition Q. And not only were you copied but today; right? Marcus Rust was copied, as well; correct? A. Correct. A. Yes. Q. It's to Gene Gregory of United Q. And this was actually sent by --Egg, which would be UEP; correct? the e-mail was sent by Joe Miller, who is the 9 A. Well, United Egg and UEP are author of the letter; right? 10 separate. A. That's what's stated here. Yes. 11 11 Q. Okay. But Gene Gregory is the Q. All right. And it lists 12 12 person who in 2007 would have had a leadership Mr. Miller as the general counsel of Rose Acre 13 13 role with United Egg Producers; correct? Farms; right? 14 14 A. That is correct. A. Yes. It does. 15 Q. And Joe copies Marcus Rust and you 15 Q. You would expect a letter that was 16 16 on this; right? prepared by the general counsel of Rose Acre to 17 A. Yes. 17 be accurate; correct, sir? 18 18 A. I guess -- repeat the question, Q. And do you recall getting a copy 19 of this letter to the USDA concerning shield? please. 20 20 MR. MONICA: Sorry. I lost track. (The record was read as 21 21 Is there a question pending? requested.) 22 22 THE WITNESS: Can you repeat the THE WITNESS: I guess I don't 588 590 1 question? understand what you mean by accurate. What -- I (The record was read as guess I'm not sure what you're referring to. BY MR. STUEVE: requested.) BY MR. STUEVE: Q. That the statements that would be made in the letter on behalf of Rose Acre by Q. If you look up at the subject line of the e-mail that you're copied on, it says their general counsel, that those statements letter to USDA concerning shield; is that would be accurate; correct? That's what you would expect? correct? A. Yes. A. Our legal counsel -- as general 10 Q. All right. Do you recall counsel for Rose Acres, Joe Miller is -- does 11 11 receiving this letter to the USDA that was give opinions to management of Rose Acres, is 12 12 attached? what he does. Now, to state whether what Joe 13 13 A. I vaguely -- I have a vague states is accurate, I guess I'm just -- I'm a 14 14 recollection of this e-mail, but I would never little vague on what you're asking. 15 15 have remembered it without looking at it. Q. I'll ask it one more time. 16 16 You would expect that the Q. Okay. 17 17 A. Once I looked at it, I kind of statements in a letter prepared by the general 18 18 remember it. Yes. counsel of Rose Acre to the USDA would be 19 19 accurate statements; correct, sir? Q. Okay. So you do remember 20 20 reviewing this at the time you would have A. Without talking about specific received it in August of 2007; is that correct? statements that are accurate, I guess -- I just A. Like I said, looking it over, and don't want to in general agree to that. No.

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591 593 Q. Well, you consider him a referring to the UEP certified egg program; trustworthy person; is that right? correct, sir? MR. MONICA: Objection. A. Yes. I do. THE WITNESS: Yes. Q. And he speaks publicly on occasion on behalf of Rose Acre; correct? BY MR. STUEVE: Q. He states, in order to comply with A. Yes. these requirements, Rose Acre Farms reduced the Q. For example, when the Humane number of birds per cage, which has amounted to Society issued a videotape of Rose Acre's facilities, he was the person who spoke on a reduction of literally millions of birds from 10 10 behalf of Rose Acre to the press; correct, sir? our operation. Did I read that accurately, sir? 11 11 A. I don't recall that for sure. No. A. Yes. 12 12 I remember Victor Rigterink was involved in Q. We did this because it was the 13 13 right thing to do. Did I read that correctly? 14 14 Q. You don't recall Mr. Miller 15 15 issuing a statement on behalf of Rose Acre? Q. Now, at the time you received and A. No. I don't recall that. reviewed this letter, did you contact Mr. Miller 17 17 Q. Sir, the letter that's attached and indicate to him that there are any 18 18 that you were copied on, it states in the second inaccurate statements in this letter? 19 paragraph there, Rose Acre Farms is one of the A. I don't remember my discussions 20 20 largest egg producers in the US. See that with Mr. Miller in regards to this statement. 21 21 statement. Second paragraph? Q. All right. Now, did counsel for 22 Rose Acre show you this document in preparation A. Yes. 592 594 for your testimony in response to topics 20G and Q. That's an accurate statement; 24L? right? A. No, sir. A. Yes, it is. Q. We have also been very committed Q. Show you what's been marked as to the UEP certified program. That's an Exhibit 108. accurate statement; correct, sir? MR. MONICA: Don't look at it A. Yes. until I've seen it, please. Go ahead and look Q. This commitment has come at a BY MR. STUEVE: great deal of expense and work on our part. Is that an accurate statement, sir? Q. Sir, did counsel for Rose Acre 11 A. Yes. 11 provide you this document in response to -- in 12 12 Q. And then if you would, he states preparation for your testimony on behalf of Rose 13 13 Acre in response to 20G? in the next sentence how the program was 14 14 developed. Is that consistent with your A. No. sir. 15 15 understanding, sir? Q. And if you would, on the second 16 16 page of Exhibit 108 -- well, first of all, on MR. MONICA: Objection. Vague. 17 17 THE WITNESS: Yes. The -- it's my the first page, it's dated March 29, 2002. That 18 understanding -- yes. The Scientific Committee would have been right at the beginning of when 19 19 developed the guidelines; correct. UEP joined -- excuse me. When Rose Acre joined 20 20 BY MR. STUEVE: UEP; is that correct, sir? 21 Q. In the next statement, he states, A. Yes. Q. And over on the second page, it in order to comply with these requirements, he's

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595 597 discusses a Producer Committee for animal folks, including yourself; right? welfare and it has both you and Marcus Rust A. Yes. Q. KY Hendrix also of Rose Acre? listed as participating; is that right, sir? A. Yes. A. Correct. Q. And in reviewing this document, Q. And it says, please find attached does that refresh your recollection that you minutes from both the Producer Committee for attended that meeting? animal welfare and price discovery for certified A. No. It doesn't. egg meetings. Please review these and let me 9 Q. If you would, over on 912, it know if any corrections are needed. Do you 10 10 says -- right at the top, it says, motion was remember receiving Exhibit 108, sir? 11 11 moved by Thompson and seconded by Arias to A. No. I don't. 12 12 recommend to the Board a requirement for a grade Q. And reviewing it now doesn't 13 13 of 85 percent would be required to past the refresh your recollection at all; is that 14 14 audit. Motion carried by vote 8 to 3. Do you correct? 15 15 see that? A. That's correct. 16 A. Yes. I do. Q. Now, if you would, if you look 17 17 Q. Do you recall that vote being over on the Bates 915 at the bottom there of 18 18 taken? Exhibit 108, this is the minutes of the price 19 19 A. No. I don't. discovery meeting that you were provided a copy 20 20 Q. All right. About the fifth one of; is that right? 21 21 down, it says, it was moved by Arias and A. You mean --22 seconded by Behan to recommend that 50 points of Q. On 915, the price discovery for 598 the 110 in the housing and space allowance be certified egg minutes. Do you see that? A. Yes. I do. assigned to the space allowance and all other line items be assigned 5 points. Do you see Q. This was attached to the that? communication you would have received from Gene Gregory of United Egg Producers; right? A. Yes. I do. Q. Do you recall that motion being A. That's what it says. Yes. voted on? Q. Okay. Under the motion for the A. No. I don't. price discovery, it says, it was moved by Fortin Q. Do you recall that the only and seconded by Deffner to recommend to the 10 requirement of the animal care certified program Board that no more eggs may be marketed as 11 11 certified than those produced by the certified that would result in a failure of the audit is 12 the cage space allowance requirement? company or purchased from other certified 13 13 MR. MONICA: Object to the form. companies. Do you see that? 14 THE WITNESS: No. I'm not. 14 A. Yes. 15 BY MR. STUEVE: Q. Do you remember that motion being 16 16 approved by the Price Discovery Committee? Q. Is this the first time you heard 17 17 of that today, sir? A. No. I don't. 18 A. I don't remember. I read the Q. Do you remember that motion 19 19 requirements. I just can't recall them. ultimately being approved by the Board of 20 20 Directors of UEP? Q. Now, also attached to Exhibit 108, 21 and just to go back to the first page of 108, A. I don't remember. Q. Is this the first time that you this is from Gene, and then it's to several

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1	became aware that this action was taken by UEP?	1	AFTERNOON SESSION
2	MR. MONICA: Objection.	2	(1:03 p.m.)
3	THE WITNESS: Which action?	3	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time is
4	BY MR. STUEVE:	4	approximately 1:03 p.m. and we are back on the
5	Q. The action that's identified in	5	record.
6	the motion of the Price Discovery Committee?	6	BY MR. STUEVE:
7	MR. MONICA: Object to the form of	7	Q. Let me show you what's been marked
8	the question.	8	as Exhibit 576?
9	THE WITNESS: Repeat your	9	(Exhibit Number 576 was marked for
10	question, please.	10	identification.)
11	MR. STUEVE: Read it back for him,	11	BY MR. STUEVE:
12	please.	12	Q. You testified yesterday that Super
13	(The record was read as	13	Value, the wholesaler, was one of your
14	requested.)	14	customers; is that correct?
15	MR. MONICA: Object to the form of	15	A. Yes.
16	the question.	16	Q. Okay. And can you confirm that
17	THE WITNESS: I don't remember	17	this is the entity that you're referring to? We
18	this motion and this meeting, but that's not the	18	printed off their website.
19	way the program works today.	19	A. Yes. This is Super Value that I
20	BY MR. STUEVE:	20	was referring to.
21	Q. Do you, though, have any	21	Q. Okay.
22	recollection of the discussion of this motion	22	(Exhibit Number 577 was marked for
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1	for the subsequent approval by UEP?	1	identification.)
2	MR. MONICA: Objection.	2	BY MR. STUEVE:
3	BY MR. STUEVE:	3	Q. I'll show you what's been marked
4	Q. Forward of the motion?	4	as Exhibit 577 and ask if you can confirm this
5	A. I don't remember that. No.	5	is the website of Topco, also one of Rose Acre's
6	MR. STUEVE: Why don't we take our	6	customers that you testified about yesterday?
7	lunch break here.	7	MR. MONICA: Counsel, mine is
8	MR. MONICA: Let's go off the	8	highlighted. Is it supposed to be? I want to
9	record and talk about it.	9	make sure it doesn't matter.
10	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time is	10	MR. STUEVE: No. It doesn't
11	12:18 p.m. and we're going off the record.	11	matter.
12	(Whereupon, at 12:18 p.m., a lunch	12	THE WITNESS: Yes. This is the
13	recess was taken.)	13	Topco I was referring to.
14	100000 Wao takoni,	14	BY MR. STUEVE:
15		15	Q. Okay.
16		16	(Exhibit Number 578 was marked for
17		17	identification.)
18		18	BY MR. STUEVE:
19		19	Q. Let me show you the first page of
20		20	Centrella's website, it's been marked as
21		21	Exhibit 578.
22		22	Can you confirm for me this is the
			Can you commit for the this is the

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603 605 Centrella you were testifying about yesterday Q. All right. And he is the one that that purchased Certified? actually serves on the USEM Board of Directors and would actually vote on the exports; is that A. I don't recall anything talking about Centrella purchasing Certified. correct, sir? Q. Okay. If you remember yesterday, A. That is correct. I asked you about whether Certified had been Q. Now, what involvement did you have -- this is the big picture -- with respect purchased. Do you remember that? to the USEM exports that Rose Acre participated A. Oh. I'm sorry. Certified in? Grocers. 10 10 Q. Yeah. Certified Grocers. I'm A. My involvement would be working 11 11 with Bob Niewedde and our customer service sorry. Do you remember that? 12 A. They purchased Certified Grocers people and Lindsey Schepman on the supply of the 13 Midwest. I remember that. eggs for the exports to make sure to execute the 14 production and distribution of those. Q. Centrella did? 15 15 A. Yes. Q. And would you have had that role 16 Q. Centrella did? each and every time that Rose Acre participated 17 17 in the USEM exports? A. Yes. 18 18 Q. I asked you if they had a similar A. Yes. I did. 19 business model as Certified. Do you recall Q. Did you have any involvement in 20 20 the decision for Rose Acre to join USEM in 2006? that? 21 A. I remember they purchased A. No. I did not. 22 Q. Whose decision was that? Certified. Yes. 604 606 Q. Is this the Centrella you were A. Marcus Rust. Q. Who else -- let me ask this. referring to? I want to confirm that that's referenced on this website, 578? Anyone other than you, Bob Niewedde, and Lindsey A. That purchased Certified Grocers? Schepman that would actually be involved in the execution of the various exports that Rose Acre Q. Yes. A. Yes. participated with USEM in? Q. Okay. If you could turn to topic A. Yes. Our -- our -- many people 22 and confirm that you have been designated to got involved. testify on behalf of Rose Acre with respect to Q. Okay. 22G through L? A. Because when you -- when we 11 A. Yes. 11 produce eggs, Bob would get the orders and then 12 12 Q. And what did you do to prepare they would be assigned to a farm. If you go --13 13 yourself to testify concerning 22G through L? to the cooler manager at that particular 14 A. Just my general knowledge of being 14 location that would have been producing the 15 15 involved with US Egg Marketers on this topic. eggs. 16 16 Q. Now, you're not on the Board of The cooler manager, his 17 17 USEM; is that correct? responsibility is to fill out the daily 18 production schedules for the egg graders for the A. That is correct. 19 19 Q. Did you talk to Marcus Rust in egg -- processing manager for the egg graders. 20 20 They would in turn, there's approximately 12 preparation for your testimony today in response 21 to 22G through L? people -- 12 to 15 people per egg grader. Their A. No. I did not. responsibility then would be to process and

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607 609 package through their machine the eggs would be That has happened. Yes. washed and sanitized, graded, and packaged into Who would be obligated to do that loose flats and then put into cases which then at Rose Acre? would be sent to the line men and the line men A. Bob Niewedde. they go through a tape machine, be taped. So Would you assist him in that the line men would then stack the cases process? transport them into our egg cooler. From there A. Yes. the shipping department would load them onto Q. Anyone else? trucks to be transported to the ultimate 9 A. In the actual going out to procure 10 10 destination for delivery so our transportation them. No. In some of the decisions to -- if we 11 11 department would become involved. had to procure eggs that could have involved 12 12 Our accounts receivable department Lindsey and Aaron, as well. 13 13 would be involved in invoicing for the eggs and Q. Okay. And --14 14 collecting money. A. And Jeff Cutler. 15 15 Our customer service people would Q. And then, Rose Acre participated 16 16 be involved with the plants, verifying to make in several USDA exports since 2006; is that 17 sure the eggs were shipped and went out and were 17 correct, sir? 18 18 invoiced correctly. A. I don't know how many for sure. 19 I guess you could go back to the Q. Which egg production facilities 20 20 flock managers that run the chicken houses and would have contributed eggs over that time to 21 21 the feed people that are responsible for feeding fulfill those orders? 22 the birds. A. Our farms in North Carolina and 608 610 I mean, you could ultimately say Georgia, as well as Indiana, I recall. through the whole process all the way back to Q. Which ones in Indiana? our, you know, from the flock side on, once the A. Cort Acres in Seymour, Indiana. eggs are produced and into the processing. So Q. And then which ones in Georgia? to make this happen there's a lot of people A. Oconee Egg Farm and Cannon Egg 6 involved. Farm. Q. Because the -- these exports were Q. And then which ones in North very large exports that needed to be filled in a Carolina? A. Hyde County Egg Farm, H-Y-D-E. very short period of time; correct, sir? 10 10 A. Which -- no. Not always. Q. How long has Rose Acre had the 11 11 Cort Acres production facility? Q. When you say accounts receivable 12 12 It was -- started construction in invoicing, who would be invoiced? Α. 13 13 A. It would be -- I don't exactly 1978. 14 know whose name -- it would be within USEM and 14 Q. Okay. And what about Cannon in 15 15 UEP, but I don't know exactly what the heading Indiana? 16 16 of the invoice said. A. Cannon is in Ohio -- Georgia. 17 17 Q. But it would have been someone at Q. Excuse me. Cannon in Georgia? 18 USEM that would have been invoiced? A. Cannon has been about five years 19 19 A. Yes. now. 20 20 Q. Now, were there exports in which Q. Okay. So that would have been 21 Rose Acre would have to purchase eggs in order approximately 2008? to fulfill its commitment? A. Approximately, yes.

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613 611 Q. And when what about Oconee Egg? remember attending at least one meeting. A. Oconee was -- it was prior to Okay. Who else would have 2005, early 2000s. I don't know the exact year. attended those meetings? Q. Okay. What about Hyde County? A. Marcus Rust. A. We -- construction I believe Q. Anyone else? started in 2005. A. Not that I can recall. No. Q. Okay. Sir, let me show you what's Q. Okay. Show you what's been marked previously been marked as Exhibit 518. You had as 321. Would you have -- can you confirm for 9 mentioned earlier in your testimony about a me that this is the USEM, the initial membership 10 10 brochure. Is this the type of brochure, for agreement that was entered into by Rose Acre? 11 11 example, you would have provided AWG? A. Yes. It appears to be. 12 12 A. No, sir. Okay. Would you have participated 13 13 Q. What is this? in filling this out? 14 A. This was a previous brochure that A. No, sir. 15 was put together by a salesperson that used to 15 Okay. And whose signature is on 16 16 work for us, but we don't use this anymore. there? 17 17 Q. Was it used at one point in time A. That's Marcus'. 18 18 Q. Now, we've -- we've confirmed when you solicited customers? 19 19 A. Yes, sir. through other testimony that actually when Rose 20 20 Q. Is the new one in a similar Acre joined USEM was actually in 2006; is that 21 21 correct? format? 22 A. No. It's not. I don't know. This says 2007. 612 614 Q. Okay. If you look at on the Q. You don't know one way or the second page, down at the bottom there? other? A. Okay. A. No. I don't. Q. Is Oconee listed there? (Exhibit Number 579 was marked for identification.) A. Yes. Q. Where? BY MR. STUEVE: A. Under the history and growth of Q. Let me show you what's been marked as Exhibit 585? Rose Acre. Q. Yeah. Which year? THE REPORTER: 585? 10 A. 1999. MR. HICKEY: Sorry. We should 11 Q. Okay. I see Oconee. Does that 11 switch that out. 12 12 refresh your recollection when that would have MR. MONICA: Yeah. If you could 13 13 been built? change it. Still 585? 14 14 A. Yes. MR. HICKEY: It will be 579. 15 15 Q. So Cort Acres broke ground in '78. BY MR. STUEVE: 16 Oconee would have been '99. Hyde County would Q. Show you what's been marked as 17 17 have been in '05 and Cannon Egg in '08; is that Exhibit 579. Does this appear to be the 18 correct, sir? August 2010 membership agreement entered into 19 19 A. Yes. Approximately '08. Yes. between Rose Acre and USEM? 20 20 Q. All right. Did you participate in MR. MONICA: Objection. any of the USEM export meetings? MS. REDDING: Can we get the Bates A. I know I attended one -- I number, please?

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2	MR. STUEVE: Yeah, UE 1028216	Q. WHALIS DEA!
	through 21.	A. United Egg Association.
3	BY MR. STUEVE:	Q. Has Nose Acre been a member of
4	Q. Have you seen this document	4 that association?
5	before?	⁵ A. Yes.
6	A. I don't recall.	⁶ Q. And for how long?
7	 Q. Did you participate in providing 	⁷ A. For many years. I don't recall.
8	the information that's contained in this	8 I don't remember when we joined, but for a long
9	document?	⁹ time.
10	A. No. I didn't.	Q. And who from Rose Acre
11	Q. Is that Marcus Rust's signature?	participated in the United Egg Association?
12	A. Yes. It is.	A. Over the years, myself, Victor
13	Q. On 217 there at the bottom?	13 Rigterink, currently Jeff Cutler. We Todd
14	A. Yes.	Vogle, our quality manager, may have attended a
15	Q. Okay. Now, do you know who Larry	meeting. I can vaguely recall he might have
16	Seger is?	attended sometime, but never I don't think he
17	A. Yes. I do.	was ever a member well, we're a member
18	Q. Who is Larry Seger?	because we're a company member. I'm sorry.
19	A. He's passed away.	But Larry McVee. Possibly Yves Crepelay.
20	Q. Okay. When he was alive did	l'm not oh, don't ask me to
21	you what organization did he work for?	Q. As far as current employees?
22	A. Well, he was Wabash Valley Produce	
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	616	618
1	in DuBois, Indiana.	¹ Q. So Marcus, Victor, Jeff Cutler and
2	Q. When did he pass away?	you would have been involved in it?
3	A. Several years ago.	³ A. The most active; correct.
4	Q. While he was alive, did you	4 Q. And that is also a trade
5	understand he was involved in the USEM export	⁵ association that Al Pope and Gene Gregory led;
6	program?	6 correct?
7	A. Yes. I did.	7 MR. MONICA: Object to the form.
8	Q. What was his role?	8 THE WITNESS: No. It was
9	A. I believe I don't know the	⁹ UEA United Egg Association when I say, no,
10	title, it was either president or chairman,	UEA was a separate from UEP, but UEP my
11	whichever that title was.	understanding, I think I understand that there
12	Q. Okay. Let me show you what's been	is a fee for management services to UEP for UEA
13	marked as Exhibit 173. In this communication	but most of our it's either Howard McGuire
14	down at the bottom it has Larry Seger USEM	was kind of the when I was active that I
15	chairman?	recall I've not been to the meetings for many
16	A. Okay.	years, but when I was there, I remember Howard
17	Q. Is that consistent with your	McGuire was kind of like our main go to guy that
18	recollection?	helped us on issues that we had for the egg
19	A. Yes.	breaking industry.
20	Q. This is to all UEP, UEA and USEM	20 BY MR. STUEVE:
21	members. Do you see that?	21 Q. And you indicated though that UEA
22		would pay a management fee to UEP; is that
	A. Yes. I do.	would pay a management lee to DEF, is that
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619 621 correct? Voices that would have been sent out to UEP A. That's what I remember. members, dated May 1st, 2003; is that correct? Q. And UEP would have been run by Al A. Yes. Q. And at this time, Rose Acre would Pope and then Gene Gregory during that time period; correct, sir? have been a member; right? A. UEP. Yes. A. Correct. Q. Did they attend the UEA meetings? Q. And under the -- in fact, Rose A. I don't remember particularly Acre is the one that produced this document; is 9 how -- I know -- I can -- I recall Gene possibly that right, Exhibit 243? 10 being in meetings. A. It has RA at the bottom. 11 11 Q. Was Rose Acre a member of United Q. And it says -- it's talking about 12 12 Egg Association prior to 2002? the industry's economic recovery up at the top. 13 13 A. I don't remember. Do you see that? 14 14 Q. What documents would you look at A. Yes. 15 15 to refresh your recollection on that? Q. And it says there are possibly 16 16 A. I would look at -- I would many theories for this recovery. However, we 17 17 probably have to go back and look in accounts believe there are at least four major reasons. 18 18 payable to see if we paid dues. That's probably They are: First is the reduced chick hatch. Do what I would have to look at, see if we ever you see that? 20 20 paid any dues into UEA prior to that. A. Yes. 21 21 Q. In the second paragraph there of Q. And that would be related to the 22 22 the letter that was written by Larry Seger of certified program; correct? 620 622 USEM to all UEP, UEA and USEM members, it says MS. REDDING: Objection. the main purpose of exports is to strengthen the MR. MONICA: Objection. current market, unquestionably, that always THE WITNESS: No. I can't say happens. Do you see that? that. A. Yes. I do. BY MR. STUEVE: Q. And number 2 would be UEP's animal Q. Strengthening a weak market or raising a steady market is what exports are care certification program. Do you see that? meant to accomplish in the short run. Do you A. Yes. see that? Q. That would be referring to the 10 10 A. That's what's written there. cage space reduction requirements of that 11 Q. And that was your understanding 11 program; correct, sir? 12 12 and when I'm referring to your, I'm referring to MR. MONICA: Object to the form. 13 13 Rose Acre that was your understanding of the THE WITNESS: No. I don't agree 14 14 purpose of the USEM exports; correct, sir? with that. 15 BY MR. STUEVE: 16 16 MR. MONICA: Objection to form. Q. And number 4, it lists -- the 17 17 You can answer. fourth one is exports taken by United States Egg THE WITNESS: No. That's not my Marketers. Do you see that? 19 understanding. 19 A. Yes. 20 20 BY MR. STUEVE: Q. That would be consistent with 21 21 Q. Show you what's been marked as Mr. Seger, the chairman of USEM's statement that 22 Exhibit 243. And this is a May 1, 2003 United the purpose of the exports is to boost egg

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623 625 prices in the domestic market in the short run; MR. MONICA: Objection. correct, sir? THE WITNESS: No. I don't agree A. I don't agree with that. No. with that. I can't tell you what Larry Seger Q. Okay. Now, if you look down here was thinking. at the second to last paragraph here, it says, (Exhibit Number 580 was marked for we believe the major reason for the industry's identification.) economic recovery must be attributed to the USEM BY MR. STUEVE: export of 550 trailer loads of shell eggs Q. Let me show you what's been marked 9 through the period late October through mid as Exhibit 580, that's Bates range RAUPDATE 10 10 March. Do you see that? 0067579 through 93. 11 11 A. Yes. Did you review this document in 12 12 Q. 550 trailer loads, that would be preparation for your deposition today? 13 13 almost two years of shell egg sales for Rose A. No. I didn't. 14 14 Acre: correct? Q. If you would, topic 22K asks for 15 15 A. No. you to testify on behalf of Rose Acre concerning 16 Q. I thought you said that you, on an the impact or effect of USEM exports on the 17 17 annual basis, were using 300 trailer loads. Do supply of eggs or egg products. Do you see 18 18 that? That's in 517. That's number 22K? you see that? 19 19 MR. MONICA: Objection. A. Yes. 20 20 THE WITNESS: No. Did counsel for Rose Acre show you 21 21 BY MR. STUEVE: Exhibit 580 in preparation for your testimony 22 22 Q. Okay. So let me -- let me go today? 624 626 on --A. No. A. I--Q. You can confirm this is a Rose Q. Go ahead. Acre document; is it not, sir? A. I sell 45 trailer loads a day, A. It's not a Rose Acre document but sir, per day. it's got Rose Acre at the bottom so it may have Q. What were you referring to the 300 been produced by Rose Acre, but it is not a Rose trailer loads? Acre document. A. Per week. Q. It was produced by Rose Acre; is Q. Per week. Excuse me. So the 550 that correct, sir? number would be close to two weeks of your shell A. What do you mean by produced? 11 11 Q. Exhibit 580 has the Bates range RA egg sale; is that correct, sir, from all your 12 12 facilities? which would stand for Rose Acre. Do you 13 13 understand that? A. Approximately, yes. 14 14 Q. Let me ask you this. It says, we A. Yes. 15 15 believe these exports have contributed nearly Q. Okay. Do you know whose files 16 16 300 million to the industry recovery. Do you this would have come from, from Rose Acre? 17 17 see that? A. Probably mine. 18 A. Yes. Q. And, if you would, sir, over on 19 19 Q. Again, that would be consistent the -- it's the last two digits are 86? 20 20 with the chairman of USEM, Larry Seger's A. Okay. 21 21 statement that the purpose of the exports was my Q. Under USEM. Do you see that at boost domestic prices; correct, sir? the bottom?

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627 629 A. Yes. the question. Q. It says, UEP assumed the THE WITNESS: No. I don't management of United States Egg Marketers, USEM, necessarily agree with that. in 2000. Do you see that? BY MR. STUEVE: A. Yes. Q. If you would, over on 587 under Q. Is that consistent with your exports, it -- you see that category there, its's on RA the last two digits are 87. Do you recollection? A. I don't know about way back in see that? 9 2000. A. Yes. 10 10 Q. At the time Rose Acre joined in Q. Under exports, it says, many UEP 11 2006, was UEP managing United States Egg 11 members participate in exports through their 12 12 Marketers? USEM membership. Do you see that? 13 13 A. The document that you show me that A. Yes. 14 14 Marcus signed was 2007, but, yes, at that time, Q. And that would be true of Rose 15 I would probably recall UEP assisted in the 15 Acre; right? management of US Egg Marketers. MR. MONICA: Objection. 17 17 Q. Since then USEM activities have THE WITNESS: If we're talking 18 18 been limited to a conference call three times about the date range that we have been a USEM 19 per week and an export program. Do you see member; correct. 20 20 that? BY MR. STUEVE: 21 Q. Then it says these exports --22 22 Q. When Rose Acre joined USEM in 2006 excuse me -- it says, second sentence there, it 628 630 did it participate in the conference calls? says, these exports are only taken in large A. I don't recall. volume shipments over a very short delivery Q. Has it -- from 2006 up to the period for the purpose of having the greatest present, has it participated in those conference impact upon surplus supply reduction. Do you see that? calls? A. I know that Bob Niewedde A. Yes. participates in some conference calls, I just Q. And you understood that that was can't tell you exactly when he was on them. the purpose of the USEM exports; correct? Q. We're talking about USEM A. No. 10 10 conference calls? MR. MONICA: Object to the form. 11 A. Yes. We are. 11 THE WITNESS: No. I don't agree 12 12 Q. It says, these timely exports have with that. 13 13 been a major benefit to the egg industry in Q. I'll show you what's been marked 14 total, not just to USEM members. Do you see 14 as Exhibit 48. Have you seen this document 15 15 that? before? 16 16 A. Yes. I do. A. No. I don't recall ever seeing 17 17 Q. You understood again what was this. 18 18 being indicated there that by executing these Q. If you would, turn back to the 19 19 large exports into foreign markets, it reduced last page. This is a -- according to the 20 the supply of eggs and boosted domestic prices; 20 testimony of UEP, this is a summary under 21 correct, sir? exports 2000 the summary of the exports that USEM executed in the year 2000. Do you see MR. MONICA: Object to the form of

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631 633 that, where that is on that page? them to be sold in Kroger stores? MR. MONICA: Objection. A. No, sir. THE WITNESS: I don't know that Have you sold Class 1 eggs to Q. this is the summary. I see it lists exports and Topco? dates and people's names, but I don't. A. No. BY MR. STUEVE: Q. Save-A-Lot? Q. Are you familiar with Worldwide A. No. Egg? Q. Wal-Mart? 9 A. No. I'm not. A. It's illegal, sir, by USDA 10 10 Q. What about Dolphin Fuchs? standards, you can't. So I've never sold them 11 A. Yes. to any supermarket. 12 12 Q. What is that? Q. Okay. What is legal for you to 13 13 A. Fuchs -- Jürgen Fuchs is an egg sell Class 1 for? 14 14 producer in Germany. Dolphin is a shipping and MR. MONICA: Objection. Vague. 15 15 trading company located in Georgia. You can go ahead and answer it. 16 Q. Okay. What about Worldwide Egg? THE WITNESS: Okay. A Class 1 --17 17 A. No idea. when you refer -- what I would refer to as a 18 18 Q. And then Dolphin Fuchs again and Class 1 is a Class 1 nest run, which means the 19 19 Dolphin Fuchs again is listed there; is that product came from a chicken house that's been 20 20 right? put onto flats. In this case, if they've -- if 21 21 they've -- okay. Class 1 nest runs -- a Class 1 A. Yes. 22 22 Q. Do you know what is meant by nest run would have to go to a grading plant. 632 634 Class 1? To be sold to a supermarket in the United A. Class 1 would be a Class 1 nest States, under USDA Egg Products Inspection Act, run product, ungraded. you have to wash and grade the eggs under the Q. And are those types of eggs USDA guidelines, which is you have -- there's -there's -- you have to -- first you've got typically used for breaking? A. They can be. temperature requirements for the wash water. If they're ungraded -- let me ask You've got sanitation requirements that you have to go through. vou this. Have you sold Class 1 shell eggs And then packing and grading 10 to any of your shell egg customers that sell requirements. And then under most state laws, 11 11 them to -- that are then sold to customers and under USDA, if you put a shield on the 12 12 carton, you have to follow the weight standards shopping at grocery stores? 13 13 MR. MONICA: Objection. Compound. that's established by USDA that has to be 14 14 THE WITNESS: Wow. That question clearly marked and some states have certain 15 is really -- you asked like three questions in regulations about what size those things are. 16 there, I believe. So you have to pass those laws before I could 17 17 BY MR. STUEVE: sell it to a supermarket that in turn would sell 18 18 Q. Do I understand you don't it to a consumer. 19 19 understand my question, sir? BY MR. STUEVE: 20 20 Q. What market does Rose Acre have A. Yes. Q. Okay. So have you sold Class 1 for nest run ungraded eggs? 22 A. I'm sorry. What market -- what do eggs, for example, to Kroger for it to be -- for

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635 637 you mean by what market do we have? Crystal Farms? Q. Who does Rose Acre sell Class 1, A. Can I go back and look through the notes you handed me? ungraded eggs to? A. I don't. Q. Sure. Q. Okay. Do you use them in your A. It was after 2005. breaking facilities? Q. I believe it was in '07, but in A. I don't today. I don't recall in any event, it was after 2005? the past if I used Class 1's. It's not a term A. Yes. that's used much anymore. Q. Was that for approximately a one 10 10 Q. What does Rose Acre do with its year period? Do you recall? 11 11 A. It was more than a year. Class 1 or nest run ungraded eggs? 12 12 A. Our birds -- our birds, other than Q. It was? 13 13 our cage-free at Donovan -- today, other than A. Yes. 14 14 Donovan and Jen Acre Plus, which are our Q. Okay. Other than that exception 15 cage-free farms, 100 percent of Rose Acre's 15 from 2006 to the present, Rose Acre simply does 16 16 production is in line with our processing not produce Class 1 nest run ungraded eggs; is 17 17 plants. So we do not produce that grade of egg. that correct, sir? 18 Ours are in line so we're vertically integrated. 18 A. We don't pack Class 1 nest run 19 because our eggs -- every egg we produce in line Our processing plants and breaking plants are 20 20 connected directly with the chicken houses, so with our farms have to go through the egg 21 21 we don't produce that product. washer. We have no means to package the eggs 22 22 Q. Would that be true since 2006, other than -- the only time we would have would 636 sir? have been if we were putting in a new egg grader in the processing plant and if we hooked up a A. No. When we purchased Crystal Farms in Georgia, it came with a little over farm packer temporarily for less than a week a million birds that were on contract. When we while we had to put a new egg grading machine assumed those contracts in the purchase, those in, we would have nest run those eggs off onto were -- those houses were producing -- would loose and then have to rehandle them because we have been producing nest run eggs we had to didn't have a machine in place to break them at the time. So other than that exception, when we bring to our locations to our processing locations. We've -- since then, we've ceased to replaced equipment, no. 10 operate those contracts and no longer have those Q. We're talking about nearly 11 11 100 percent of the eggs that were produced nest run eggs. 12 12 during that time period would have been in your Q. Do those nest run eggs ultimately, 13 13 were they graded then? in line production? 14 14 A. They could have been graded or A. Which time period? 15 15 Q. From '06 to the present? 16 16 A. No, because we had over a million Q. And for what period of time would 17 17 the nest run eggs have been broken? birds on contract. A. I don't recall the exact dates Q. Excluding Crystal Farms, that 19 19 that we owned those contracts. I would have to exception? 20 20 look that up. But any time during that period A. Excluding the contract birds. 21 21 that we owned those contracts. Q. Right, Crystal Farm birds you identified? Q. When do you recall acquiring

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639 641 A. Yes. Q. You did not review those in Other than those, nearly preparation for your testimony in response to 22G; is that correct? 100 percent from 2006 to the present would have been in line and, therefore, not been nest run A. That is correct. ungraded eggs; is that correct? Q. All right. Now, there's a A. Correct. reference under the exports for 2007, just right Q. Now, if you jump over to 2006 over above where we were just looking. It has graded on 35, you'll see the Class 1 reference again; XLG/large. What do you understand that to mean? is that right? A. That would be graded extra large 10 10 A. Yes. and large combination, a mixed load blended 11 11 Q. And -between extra large and large eggs. 12 12 A. I guess the 11/1 to 11/15. Q. Do you understand what that \$0.39 13 13 Q. 11/1 to 11/7 and then 11/1 to reference is? 14 11/15. 14 A. I'm sorry. I was looking up 15 A. Okay, yes. 15 there. Since I haven't seen this document, I 16 16 Q. Did Rose Acre participate in those didn't prepare it. There's not a heading on it. 17 17 exports? I mean, it would only be speculation what that 18 18 A. I don't remember. may be. 19 19 Q. What did you do to prepare Q. What is your guess as to what that 20 20 yourself to testify with respect to the 22G, is? 21 21 which is your participation in any USEM exports A. In looking at the document, my 22 guess would be is that's what the eggs were sold after becoming a USEM member including financial 640 642 obligations of an exporter? for. A. I don't think I was designated on Q. To, for example, Jürgen Fuchs; is G. Was I? that right? MR. MONICA: Yes. You are. A. Jürgen Fuchs. THE WITNESS: On G? Q. Jürgen Fuchs? BY MR. STUEVE: A. Yes. Q. Yeah. Q. Have you heard the term breaking A. I couldn't remember which ones stock? here. Okay. Α. Yes. 10 10 Q. Did you review any documents in Q. What do you understand breaking 11 11 preparation for your testimony today concerning stock to mean? 12 12 Rose Acre's participation in USEM exports? A. Breaking stock would be eggs that 13 13 A. I didn't review any other are broken for liquid eggs. 14 documents. Just my own knowledge. 14 Q. And what -- is there -- what types 15 15 Q. Do you have documents concerning of eggs are typically used by Rose Acre for 16 16 USEM's exports in -- excuse me. Rose Acre's breaking stock? 17 17 participation, if any, in USEM's exports for A. What types of eggs to break? 18 18 2006? 19 19 A. If we participated, the documents A. All types. Peewee, small, medium, 20 20 would be in my office. large, extra large, jumbos, super jumbos. 21 Q. Where would you keep those, sir? Q. When someone uses the term Class A. They would be in a filing cabinet. 1, do you typically consider those the type of

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643 645 eggs that would typically be used for breaking owned in relationship to the other members in or breaking stock? A. It could be. Q. And under that formula, Rose Acre Q. Now, if you would, there is a had the second largest fulfillment requirement; reference up on 234 to X large and large. Do correct, sir? you see that? White or brown? A. I'm not -- it's possible. A. Yes. Q. Cal-Maine would have also been a member of USEM? Q. What do you understand designation 9 to mean? A. Yes. They were. 10 10 A. It would be large and extra large Q. And their fulfillment requirement 11 11 eggs, white eggs or brown eggs. would have been higher than Rose Acre's during 12 12 Q. Okay. And then over on the -- up that time period? 13 13 on the first page, it has large whites stamped. A. Yes. It would have. 14 14 See that classification there? (Exhibit Number 581 was marked for 15 A. First page. Yes. 15 identification.) 16 16 Q. What do you understand that to BY MR. STUEVE: 17 17 Q. Show you what's been marked as mean? 18 18 Exhibit 581. And this is Bates range RA 1359 A. That means that the eggs have to 19 have a US stamp on it because Iraq requires it. through RA 1368. This is a January 4, 2007, 20 20 United Voices; is that correct, sir? Q. Okay. Is there an Urner Barry 21 21 market for large white stamped? A. Yes. 22 A. Not specific to the stamp, no. Q. This would have been produced by 644 646 Q. What market would be most Rose Acre? attributable to large white stamp, large white A. I guess. I'm -- produced, I would **Urner Barry?** have -- you received it from Rose Acre. We MR. MONICA: Objection. Vague. didn't produce the document. I mean --You may answer. Q. Do you believe this document came 6 THE WITNESS: Well, there's no from your files, sir? market for stamped eggs. It's -- it's A. Yes. because -- well, there's no market for those. Q. Okay. And, if you would, on 9 Exhibit 581, it actually references the fact BY MR. STUEVE: 10 Q. Okay. Did Rose Acre participate that Rose Acre joined USEM; is that right? 11 11 A. Yes. in this August 13th through September 25, 2008 12 12 Q. And it says, USEM now has the **USEM** export? 13 13 A. We were members then, yes, we membership support from producers owning 14 would have participated. 14 approximately 139 million layers; is that right? 15 15 Q. And the reason why you know that 16 16 is that once you joined and signed the agreement Q. And then it goes on to state that 17 17 with USEM, you were required to participate in UEP's production planning calendar just recently 18 18 the export; correct? published and distributed. Do you see that? 19 19 A. Correct. A. Yes. 20 20 Q. Did Rose Acre receive that? Q. And how was your allocation of the 21 export determined? A. I don't recall this specific year, but I have received a production planning A. By the percentage of birds that we

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647 649 calendar in the past. Q. I'm asking you to assume that Q. It's no longer being disseminated statement is correct, that, in fact, the export by UEP; correct, sir? boosted the Urner Barry market domestically. A. I don't remember seeing them Rose Acre, if that occurred, would directly lately. benefit from that; correct, sir? Q. Okay. That stopped after the 6 MR. MONICA: Same objection. lawsuit initiated in 2008; correct? THE WITNESS: I don't want to A. I don't know that for sure. assume, sir. Q. It says, UEP's production planning 9 BY MR. STUEVE: 10 10 calendar just recently published and distributed Q. Show you what's been previously 11 11 forecast January and February carton large marked as Exhibit 23. Did you review this 12 12 prices in the Midwest to average about \$0.84 per document in preparation for your deposition 13 13 dozen. Do you see that? today? 14 A. Yes. 14 A. No, sir. 15 15 Q. With the delivery of such a large Q. Look at the Marketing Committee 16 16 volume export, it is expected that prices will meeting minutes of January 23, 2007; is that 17 17 exceed UEP's forecast. Do you see that? correct, sir? 18 18 A. Yes. A. Yes. That's what it states. 19 19 Q. It is also believed that the Q. It lists Marcus Rust as 20 20 announcement of USEM working on a sizable export participating; is that right? 21 may have helped hold prices at a higher level A. Yes. It does. 22 the last week of December. Do you see that? Q. If you would, if you turn over 648 650 A. Yes. under USEM exports, Larry Seger is referenced Q. All right. Now, if, in fact, the there; is that right? USEM exports that's being referred here A. Yes. increased the domestic Urner Barry market, Rose Q. And, again, he was an egg Acre would directly benefit from that; correct, producer; is that right? A. Correct. Q. And the chair of USEM export? MR. MONICA: Objection. Calls for speculation and expert testimony. You may A. Yes. He was. Q. It states, Larry Seger and Phyllis answer. THE WITNESS: I don't agree with Blizzard, she would have been working for UEP; 11 what's written here. 11 is that correct? 12 12 BY MR. STUEVE: A. Yes. 13 13 Q. If you could read my question, I Q. Provided a report and assessment 14 ask you to answer my question, sir. 14 of the November export and the one currently 15 15 (The record was read as being filled in January. Do you see that? 16 16 requested.) A. Yes. 17 17 MR. MONICA: Same objection. You Q. A graph was presented showing the 18 can answer. November export had increased egg prices by 19 19 THE WITNESS: I don't agree. about \$0.15 during November and December. Do 20 20 you see that? There are too many factors that affect the egg 21 21 market, so I can't agree with this. A. Yes. BY MR. STUEVE: Q. Now, if, in fact, that occurred,

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651 653 Rose Acre would directly benefit from that; You can answer. right, sir? THE WITNESS: I sell a lot of eggs MR. MONICA: Objection. Posed a off the Urner Barry market; correct. I sell a hypothetical question. Calls for speculation. lot of shell eggs off the Urner Barry market. You can answer. BY MR. STUEVE: 6 THE WITNESS: Yeah. The -- I Q. Show you what's been marked as Exhibit 181. Did you review this document in wasn't -- I wasn't even a part of this meeting and that statement I don't necessarily agree preparation of your testimony in response to 9 with. 22G? 10 10 BY MR. STUEVE: A. No. I didn't. 11 11 Q. Now, sir, Rose Acre would not have Q. If you would, on the first page, 12 12 been participating in these exports unless they it has Rose Acre and it has the list of its 13 13 believed it was going to directly benefit them; layers; is that right? 14 right? A. Yes. 15 15 MR. MONICA: Objection. Vague. Q. And did that number 20 million 16 THE WITNESS: No. I don't agree 586, did that include all of the layers from the 17 17 with that. 15 or so Rose Acre production facilities in 18 BY MR. STUEVE: 18 February 2007? 19 19 Q. In fact, each of the exports that A. Well, in 2007, I don't think -- we 20 20 Rose Acre participated in, the actual eggs that didn't have 15. I would have to look at our 21 21 it utilized, it incurred a loss as a result of list of farms by years. But it relatively looks 22 that; right, sir? like it includes all of our birds. 652 654 MR. MONICA: Objection. Q. And that would have been THE WITNESS: No. I don't agree information that Rose Acre would have provided USEM; correct, sir? with that. BY MR. STUEVE: A. Yes. Q. And the reason why it was willing Q. And the percentage total, the next 6 to take a loss with respect to the eggs it column is the allocation of the export; correct? committed to the USEM export is that the boost A. It appears to be. I've never seen 8 in overall egg prices would far outweigh the this document before, but, yes, that's what it 9 cost of participating in the transaction for appears to be. 10 10 Rose Acre; is that correct? Q. And if you look from the top to 11 11 the bottom here, and over to the next page, MR. MONICA: Object to the form of 12 12 you'll note that Cal-Maine Foods, four down, was the question. You can answer. 13 13 THE WITNESS: No. I don't agree allocated 16.28 percent. Do you see that? 14 with that. 14 A. Yes. 15 15 BY MR. STUEVE: Q. And, number two was Rose Acre at 16 16 14.685 percent; is that right? Q. As the second largest egg producer 17 17 in the country during this time period, if the A. Yes. 18 18 Urner Barry market prices go up, Rose Acre is Q. And then there's a significant 19 19 directly benefiting from that because, as you drop off after that; is that right, sir? 20 20 testified yesterday, many of your contracts are A. The next one appears to be 4.8. 21 based on the Urner Barry market; right, sir? Q. Getting Rose Acre to join USEM was MR. MONICA: Object to the form. a significant boost to the export program;

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655 657 wasn't it, sir? MR. MONICA: Object to the form of MR. MONICA: Object to the form of the question. THE WITNESS: I can't confirm the question. THE WITNESS: I can't speculate on that. that. BY MR. STUEVE: Q. Why don't you look at -- if you BY MR. STUEVE: look at active feed company 854, that is the Q. Looking at the numbers, it's cases purchased and then it has percentage of pretty self-evident; isn't it? MR. MONICA: Object to the form of loss. Do you see that? 10 the question. A. It says percent of loss. 11 11 But for everyone that purchased THE WITNESS: I'm not going to 12 12 speculate on that. that's listed in the second to last column on 13 13 BY MR. STUEVE: the right side, they all have losses allocated 14 Q. If you look at the totals there, to them; correct, sir? 15 15 you'll see that they calculated -- you'll see MR. MONICA: Objection. 16 16 the notations, the total loss was 946,389 or MS. REDDING: Objection. 17 17 \$0.59 a dozen. Do you see that? Foundation. 18 18 THE WITNESS: I said I don't know MS. REDDING: Objection. 19 19 Mischaracterizing the document. what the percent of loss. I don't understand 20 20 MR. MONICA: I'll join in the that. 21 21 BY MR. STUEVE: objection. 22 THE WITNESS: I don't -- I've Q. But there is a number that's 656 658 never seen this document, so I can't -- I'm not under -- under that column and that -- there's a going to confirm unless I have a better number for each of the egg producers who understanding of it. purchased cases; correct? BY MR. STUEVE: MR. MONICA: Objection. Vague. Q. If you look up here, percentage of THE WITNESS: There is a number in loss. Do you see that? the percent of loss column, next to the cases A. Yes. purchased. Yes. Q. And it has the -- it has the BY MR. STUEVE: percentage, and then over on the -- it has the Q. Now, Rose Acre packed total loss is 946,389. Do you see that? 35,729 cases; is that right? 11 A. Yes. 11 A. That's what it says here. 12 12 Q. Now, if you go back to Rose Acre, Q. And there are 30 dozen eggs; is 13 13 it's not in -- it doesn't have a percentage of that correct, in a case? 14 loss, because it would have filled its order 14 A. Not always. No. We pack a lot of 15 15 through its own eggs; correct? 15 dozen cases. 16 16 A. According to this document, we did Q. Do you recall whether your cases 17 17 not purchase any eggs. that you packed here were the 30 dozen? 18 18 Q. Right. But those who did, the A. No. I don't recall, without 19 19 difference between what they were going to get looking at the records. I don't see anywhere 20 paid by USEM and what they had to buy on the 20 that states for sure if it's full cases or half 21 open market, they all incurred losses; correct, cases. sir? Q. If they were full cases, would

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659 661 MR. MONICA: Can I see the that be 30 dozen, sir? A. A full case is 30 dozen, yes. calculator, please? Q. If you took 35,729 cases and you BY MR. STUEVE: multiply that times 30 dozen and you multiply Q. If Rose Acre incurred a loss of that by \$0.59 a dozen, that would be a loss 630,000 to participate in that export, it attributable to Rose Acre of 631,415; is that obviously was convinced that the overall benefit resulting from that export would outweigh that correct, sir? MR. MONICA: Object to the form of cost; correct, sir? the question. Mischaracterizes this document. MR. MONICA: Objection. 10 10 BY MR. STUEVE: Misconstrues the document. Misstates the nature 11 11 Q. Go ahead and answer the question, of their involvement in USEM. Vague. Compound. 12 12 Calls for speculation. Hypothetical. You can sir. 13 13 A. No. It's not. answer it. 14 14 THE WITNESS: I don't agree with MR. STUEVE: We need to change the 15 15 your statement. videotape. 16 16 MR. MONICA: Take a five minute --BY MR. STUEVE: 17 17 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time is Q. Let me show you --18 18 MR. MONICA: I'm sorry. Can we approximately 2:18 p.m. We're going off the give the phone back to you? 20 20 MR. STUEVE: Yes. Thank you. (A brief recess was taken.) 21 21 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Standby. This Actually, David thanks you. is the start of media unit number five. The MR. MONICA: Nice phone, by the 660 662 time is 2:25 p.m. We are back on the record. way. BY MR. STUEVE: (Exhibit Number 583 was marked for Q. So, Mr. Hinton, we are back on the identification.) record. I'm going to give you a calculator, BY MR. STUEVE: Q. Show you what's been marked as it's an iPhone. Could you grab that for me. 6 Could you type in 35,729 for the Exhibit 583. If you could keep that other number of cases? exhibit in front of you for a moment, 581. 583 MR. MONICA: I'm just going to put is RA 0002299 through 06. That is the United on the record, I generally object to having the Voices newsletter from UEP dated April 27, 2007; witness do math. I'm going to let him go ahead is that correct, sir? 11 and do it if he wants to do it. So go ahead. 11 A. Yes. 12 12 BY MR. STUEVE: Q. And this would have come from your 13 13 Q. Type that in? file, you believe? 14 14 A. 35,000. A. Rose Acre's produced it. I 15 15 Q. 729 cases. Do you have that believe so. 16 number? Okay. Can you multiply that times 30? Q. And if you look here, April 27, 17 17 A. Okay. 2007 is a couple months after Exhibit 181, the 18 18 Q. And then multiply that times reference to the February 2007 export; is that 19 19 \$0.59. And what does that give you, sir? correct? 20 20 A. That number is 632,403.03. A. April -- that would be two months Q. 632,402? after February 2007; correct. A. 03 and \$0.30. Q. That February 2007 is Exhibit 181

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663 665 the export we were looking at; is that correct, 2007. Marcus Rust participated in that; is that A. Yes. 181 is February 2007. THE WITNESS: Yes. His name's Q. And that is the export we were here. just talking about; correct? BY MR. STUEVE: A. Yes. Q. And under the motion, do you see Q. And if you now look at 583, the that in bold? United Egg Voices two months later states, in A. Yes. that last paragraph, the last sentence, within a Q. It says, it was moved by Elste and 10 few days of the latest export announcement, the 10 seconded by Rust to offer Shevi 63 loads at 60 11 market moved up a dollar 8, a \$0.17 increase and cents and Fuchs 100 loads at \$0.60. Do you see 12 12 higher prices are expected as we attempt to find 13 eggs to fill the market. Do you see that? A. Yes. 14 A. Yes. Q. So that's referring to the export 15 15 Q. And that's why Rose Acre would committee's vote on the motion seconded by Rust 16 participate in that export and incur that loss, to execute on two exports; is that correct? 17 17 because a \$0.17 increase would result in a MR. MONICA: Objection. 18 18 benefit far outweighing a 632,000 loss; correct, THE WITNESS: Could you repeat the question, please? 20 20 MR. MONICA: Object to the form of (The record was read as 21 21 the question. requested.) 22 THE WITNESS: No. I don't agree THE WITNESS: Read that one more 664 666 with that statement. time, please. BY MR. STUEVE: (The record was read as Q. In fact, this UEP communication requested.) further confirms what the purpose of the USEM THE WITNESS: Can you define exports were, which is to reduce the domestic execute? BY MR. STUEVE: egg supply and boost domestic egg prices; correct, sir? Q. After this motion was carried MR. MONICA: Object. Object to unanimously, the Export Committee agreed that the form of the question. USEM should execute on two exports. One, to 10 THE WITNESS: No. I do not agree Shevi of 63 loads at \$0.60 and the second to 11 11 with that. Fuchs of 100 loads at \$0.60; is that correct? 12 12 THE REPORTER: Did we mark 582? A. I don't agree with your definition 13 13 MR. MONICA: I don't believe we of execute. 14 did. 14 Q. Okay. What did you understand --15 15 MR. STUEVE: We're going to get to let me ask it this way. 16 16 582 next. The motion was moved by Elste 17 17 seconded by Marcus Rust; right? (Exhibit Number 582 was marked for 18 identification.) A. Correct. 19 19 MR. STUEVE: Let me show you Q. What did you understand the motion 20 20 what's been marked as Exhibit 582. This is to approve? 21 21 Bates range UE 0317733. This is the minutes of A. Okay. My understanding, reading the United States Egg Marketers of August 9, the motion, is that the motion made by Elste and

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667 669 seconded by Rust was directing the USEM staff to what I'm stating. make an offer by Shevi and Fuchs for these eggs. (Exhibit Number 584 was marked for Q. And -identification.) A. Looking at this, I can't tell you BY MR. STUEVE: the export -- I would use execute that it Q. Let me show you 584. And if you happened. Offer means they were directing the would, this is the Urner Barry egg quote for staff to make an offer to them, is how I would Thursday, August 9, 2007. And if you could interpret it. compare that to the August 9, 2007, United Q. Let's look up above here. Maybe States Egg Marketers Committee conference call 10 10 that will clarify. minutes? 11 11 Staff reported that only two MS. REDDING: Can we get the Bates 12 12 buyers had made bids at \$0.60 or better and number, please? 13 13 provided the following details? MR. STUEVE: There is no Bates --14 14 A. Okay. actually, there is a Bates range, I'm sorry. 15 15 It's MFI 0136751. Q. Michael Shevi had bid \$0.60 per 16 16 dozen for 63 container loads. Do you see that? BY MR. STUEVE: 17 17 A. Yes. Q. So this -- if -- we'll get to it, 18 18 Q. And then Jürgen Fuchs had amended but assuming this offer were accepted by Shevi 19 his bid to \$0.61 per dozen for 100 container and Fuchs, as outlined in the motion, all --20 20 loads; right? using the Urner Barry quote of August 9, 2007, 21 21 A. Yes. which is the same date, it was understood that 22 22 Q. It says, after a period of this export would result in a loss to the egg 668 670 producers who would participate; correct, sir? discussion, it was determined that since Michael Shevi was the first to meet our price MR. MONICA: Object to the form of requirement, we should give him the first the question. opportunity to purchase the 63 loads. It was THE WITNESS: I don't know that. also suggested that we also offer Fuchs up to I don't know the producers you're referring to, 100 loads at the same price. Do you see that? I don't know their cost. A. Yes. BY MR. STUEVE: Q. So they then move on that there's Q. Well, if we look at the Urner a motion seconded by Rust to actually execute Barry quote, let's look at the 30 loads for 10 the transaction; correct? graded large eggs. Do you see that? It says, 11 MR. MONICA: Objection. 11 the reference for Jürgen Fuchs, 30 loads of 12 12 THE WITNESS: It was to make the graded large/extra large? Do you see that in 13 13 offer, but this document doesn't state that the the bullet point there? 14 offer was accepted. 14 A. I'm sorry. Where? 15 15 BY MR. STUEVE: Q. On Exhibit 582, do you see that, 16 16 Q. But it would indicate, though, under second bullet point, graded large/extra 17 17 from this document that that was a foregone large, do you see that reference, 30 loads? 18 18 conclusion based on the bids by Shevi and Fuchs; A. Yes. 19 19 correct? Q. If you look over on Urner Barry 20 20 MR. MONICA: Objection. quote for that day, the various Urner Barry 21 21 THE WITNESS: Not until the offer markets had the large from \$1.09, \$1.06, \$1.09, was accepted. This was to make an offer, is and \$1.11; is that correct, sir?

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673 671 MR. MONICA: Objection. Misreads A. I believe it was -- in 2007, my -the sales department has access to it and then the document. THE WITNESS: Repeat the question, Marcus would also have access to it. Q. Marcus Rust? please. (The record was read as Yes. requested.) Q. The representative of Rose Acre MR. MONICA: Objection. that seconded the motion for this August 9, 2007 THE WITNESS: The -- looking at export; is that correct? this Urner Barry market report, the large Urner A. For that offer; correct. 10 Barry market has been reported as a \$1.09, 10 Q. Now, keep Exhibit 582 in front of 11 \$1.06, \$1.09, and \$1.11 for their respective 11 you. 12 markets on that day; correct. A. Okay. 13 BY MR. STUEVE: 13 Q. If you would, keep that document, 14 Q. Then if you look at the extra 14 keep 582 out in front of you. Then I also need 15 large, it is \$1.15, \$1.12, \$1.15, and \$1.17; is 15 you to get back out Exhibit 48. That's this 16 that correct? 16 document here, remember the USEM export summary? 17 A. The Urner Barry market reports on 17 18 August 9th for extra large \$1,15, Northeast, 18 Q. And if you would, under the export \$1.12, Midwest, \$1,15 in the Southeast, \$1.17 in 19 for 2007 reference there in Exhibit 48, do you 20 the South Central. 20 see that, on Bates number, the last three is 34? 21 Q. And then if you look at the Do you see that there? 22 reference to the 70 loads of nest run. Do you 22 A. Yes. 672 674 see that in the second bullet point there? Q. And this is the export 8/22 to A. Yes. 9/13 of 2007; is that correct? Q. You look over on Urner Barry, A. Sorry. What was the question? the -- do you see the standard 48 to 50 pounds? This is an export that has the A. Yes. date 8/22 to September 13th, '07; is that 6 Q. That price is from 70, 72, 70 and correct? 72; is that correct? A. Yes. A. On this report, the standard 48 to Q. That would immediately follow the 9 50 nest run breaking stock is reported as a low Export Committee's conference call; is that of 72 and 72, the high in the East, and 70 and right, of August 9th? 11 11 A. Yes. 72 -- 72 low, 75 high in the South -- in the 12 12 MS. REDDING: Objection. Calls Central; correct. 13 13 Q. Now, the 42 pound and the 50 for speculation. 14 pound; is that correct, that are listed there? 14 BY MR. STUEVE: 15 15 A. Yes. 42 to 44 and then 50 and up. Q. Now, if you would -- if you would, 16 16 Q. Did Rose Acre have access to the the last -- on that same indication, there's 17 17 Urner Barry daily quotes? week 9/10. Do you see that, on the bottom line 18 18 A. Yes. We do. there? It has week 9/10, 34 loads. Do you see 19 Q. And who would have access to that 19 that? 20 20 at Rose Acre? A. No. 21 A. Today -- in 2007? Q. Okay. I'm sorry. Under export Q. Yeah. August of 2007? 2007, August to September 13th, '07, that

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675 677 section there, the bottom line there lists the That's what's stated here. amount of the loads and the week. Do you see Q. And then with respect to the Class 1, it's \$0.60; right? that? A. Okay. Yes. A. For which one? Q. And if you look at the last week, Q. The 14 loads, Class 1, \$0.60? September 10th of 2007, 34 loads; right? A. That's what's stated there; correct. Q. Now, let me show you what's been Q. On September 10th, what was the marked as Exhibit 585? Class 1, if you use breaking stock, nest run off 10 10 (Exhibit Number 585 was marked for the Urner Barry, the standard 48 to 50 pounds 11 11 it's 80, 82, 80 and 82; is that correct? identification.) 12 12 MR. MONICA: Objection. MR. MONICA: He's got three in 13 front of him already. Do you want four in front 13 THE WITNESS: You're referring to the Urner Barry market quote for Monday, of him? 15 15 MR. STUEVE: Yep. Just 585. He September 10th. 16 16 doesn't need that other Urner Barry. You can BY MR. STUEVE: 17 17 place that -- so Exhibit 585, do you have that Q. Yes. 18 18 A. Nest run breaking stock. in front of you now? 19 19 THE WITNESS: Yes. 20 20 BY MR. STUEVE: A. Standard 48 to 50 pound is 21 21 Q. If you looked for the week -- it's reported as \$0.80 low, \$0.82 high for eastern, 22 22 Monday, September 10th; right? and \$0.80 low and \$0.82 high for Central. 676 678 Q. Now, if you could, keep 48 in A. Yes. Q. It has -- you'll see for extra front of you, and keep it turned to the August large and large white. Do you see that? It has to September '07 export that we were looking at? for extra large, \$1.45, \$1.42, \$1.45, and \$1.46; A. Okay. Q. I'll show you what's been marked right? A. For extra large, correct. as 586. Q. Large is \$1.37, \$1.34, \$1.37 and (Exhibit Number 586 was marked for 8 identification.) \$1.38: correct? 9 MS. REDDING: Can we get the Bates A. Correct. 10 Q. If you look at the UEP summary of number, please? 11 the export in August through September of '07, 11 MR. STUEVE: UE 0095810 through 12 12 the bid price is \$0.60 for extra large and 5811. Up at the top, it has export case volume 13 13 large; correct, sir? August through September 2007; right? 14 A. I'm sorry. Can you repeat that? 14 THE WITNESS: Oh. Yes. 15 15 Q. Yeah. The price that USEM was BY MR. STUEVE: 16 16 being paid by Jürgen Fuchs was \$0.60; right, for Q. And that's the same timeframe 17 17 extra large and large? that's referenced in Exhibit 48, summary of the 18 18 A. Like I said, I haven't seen this export of August 22nd through September 13, 19 19 document. That's what this appears to be. 2007; correct? 20 20 MR. MONICA: Objection. Q. All right. And then if you look 21 at the extra large, the 23 loads there, it's THE WITNESS: I've never seen this document before, but it -- it has the same date also \$0.60 being paid by Jürgen Fuchs; correct?

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¹ as far as months.	Q. It's my last one.
² BY MR. STUEVE:	A. Do I get to keep the phone?
3 Q. And the allocation of the	MR. HICKEY: No.
4 commitment to Rose Acre is the largest of any	THE WITNESS: Okay. What would
5 egg producer; correct?	5 you like me to do?
6 A. As stated in this document, yes.	6 BY MR. STUEVE:
Q. The second largest is Cal-Maine;	
8 right?	 Q. If you typed in the commitment number of 15,069?
9 A. On this document. Yes.	9 A. 15,000.
Q. Then there's a significant drop	Q. 69, representing the number of
Q. Then there's a significant drop	Q. 69, representing the number of
on after Rose Acre and Car-Maine with respect	cases, lines 30, representing 30 dozen per case,
to the commitments of the other egg producers,	times \$0.00, representing the loss per dozen,
Correct, Sil !	what humber does that give you!
A. Nose Acre at 13.9394 and Car-maine	WIN. WONICA. Objection.
at 12.5500 and the next one is 4.0045.	THE WITNESS. THE Humbers you
Q. And if you would, drider Nose Acre	asked the to type in:
it indicates that Nose Acre's commitment is	DI WIK. STOLVE.
18 15,069; is that right?	Q. Tean.
A. That's what's stated here.	¹⁹ A. Come to 271,242.
Q. Do you understand that to be	MR. MONICA: May I see the
²¹ cases?	²¹ calculator, please?
A. It's not labeled cases, but	(Exhibit Number 587 was marked for
680	682
¹ it's	identification.)
² Q. Would that be your assumption,	² BY MR. STUEVE:
³ sir?	³ Q. I'll show you what's been marked
⁴ A. Yes.	as Exhibit 587.
⁵ Q. And then, again, if it's a full	5 This is an e-mail by Phyllis
6 case that would be 30 dozen a case; right?	6 Blizzard of UEP to several folks, including
⁷ A. If it's a full case; correct.	⁷ Marcus Rust; is that right?
⁸ Q. If you would, on the second page	8 MS. REDDING: Can I get the Bates
9 over under the loss column, there's a	9 number, please?
handwritten notation of \$0.60 a dozen; right?	MR. STUEVE: Bates range RA
¹¹ A. I there's a notation	¹¹ 0042370.
handwritten, it says \$0.60 a dozen; correct.	THE WITNESS: I'm looking. Yes.
Q. And, again, ask you to do some	13 I see it. Yes.
math here.	14 BY MR. STUEVE:
¹⁵ MR. MONICA: Well, why don't you	Q. Okay. And do you know whose files
tell us what the number is.	at Rose Acre this document came from?
17 BY MR. STUEVE:	A. It would have been in the sales
¹⁸ Q. I just want him to confirm it.	in my office.
¹⁹ This is my last one.	¹⁹ Q. And this August 24, 2007, again,
²⁰ MR. MONICA: If it's your last	is the timeframe of the export that we have been
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683 685 A. It would have been the same Q. And under Rose Acre, Rose Acre was timeframe; correct. allocated the highest amount, its commitment with respect to this export; is that correct, Q. It says, will you please forward this message on to the USEM members. We have two export customers for which we are committed A. I wasn't familiar with this to deliver all eggs by a certain date. Our document, but on this document, it does state we first deadline is September 6th and the next is had a 15.8959 percent. September 12th. Do you see that? Q. That would be the highest A. Yes. percentage allocation; correct, sir? 10 10 Q. It is my understanding that we are A. On this document. Yes. 11 11 still in need of as many as 30 container loads, Q. And the next closest would be 12 12 Cal-Maine Foods at 11.5 percent; is that right? which I have no commitments for and we must 13 13 purchase. It is also my understanding that we A. Yes. 11.5575; correct. 14 14 are offering premiums as high as \$0.15 for nest Q. Then there's a significant drop 15 15 run and \$0.20 or more for graded eggs and still off after that; is that correct? 16 getting no one to sell us eggs. Do you see A. The next one on this document is 17 17 that? 4.3444 percent. 18 18 (Exhibit Number 589 was marked for A. Yes. 19 19 Q. If you go on down there it says, identification.) 20 20 the market has already risen by nearly \$0.20 per BY MR. STUEVE: 21 21 dozen since the export was announced. Maybe the Q. Show you what's been marked as 22 22 export has contributed to some of this gain. Do Exhibit 589, and the Bates range here is UE 684 686 you see that? 0316921 to 22. Do you see that? A. Yes. A. Yes. Q. Okay. Do you remember reviewing Q. And under this export total of 120 this document at the time? containers, Rose Acre's allocation is 15.73 percent; is that right? A. No. I don't remember it. (Exhibit Number 588 was marked for A. Yeah. I haven't seen this before, identification.) but on this document, it says Rose Acre is 8 BY MR. STUEVE: 15.7359 percent. 9 Q. And then the next highest Q. Show you what's been marked 10 10 Exhibit 588, and the Bates range is UE 0457968 percentage is Cal-Maine Foods at 11.4; is that 11 11 through 71. If you look up in the upper right? 12 12 right-hand corner, it's June '08 sale. Do you A. Yes. 11.4411. 13 13 see that? Q. And then there's a significant 14 A. Yes. 14 drop off after that; is that correct, sir? 15 15 Q. And if you look on Exhibit 48, the A. The next one was 4.3007. 16 16 (Exhibit Number 590 was marked for first page? 17 17 A. Okay. identification.) 18 18 Q. On the first page? BY MR. STUEVE: 19 19 A. Oh. Okay. Q. Show you what's been marked as 20 20 Q. Is there a reference there to a Exhibit 590. It's Bates range UE 0526344 21 May 21st through June 24th, '08 export? through 46. And this is to Marcus Rust at Rose 22 Acre from Gene Gregory; is that right? A. Yes.

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687 689 A. Yes. Appears to be. \$1.18 and the average price we have to pay to Q. And if you turn to the second page purchase all the eggs in the pool. Do you see of the document, there's a date up at the top of that? August 1, 2008, and there's a confirmation of A. Yes. export, delivery or purchase. So you have to Q. So we were looking at earlier, if indicate whether your company will deliver or UEP has to pay, for example, \$1.25 a dozen to meet the USEM member's export requirement, that purchase for delivery a pro rata share of this export order. Our company requests UEP traders USEM member would have to pay the difference purchase our pro rata share. Do you see that? between those two numbers; is that correct? 10 A. Yes. MR. MONICA: Object to the form of 11 11 Q. And do you recall filling a the question. 12 12 document like this out in relation to USEM THE WITNESS: My understanding 13 13 exports? it's not directed towards each member, it's a 14 14 A. To -- to this export? pool based on how many eggs UEP has to purchase 15 15 Q. Just in general, do you remember for all the members. 16 BY MR. STUEVE: getting a document like this asking you to 17 17 indicate whether you're going to fill your pro Q. Purchase for those members who are 18 18 rata share through delivery of your own eggs or requiring them to purchase; is that right? purchasing eggs? MR. MONICA: Objection. 20 20 A. I've seen a document like this THE WITNESS: For members that 21 required to be purchased. before. Yes. 22 22 BY MR. STUEVE: Q. Okay. 688 690 Q. Right. And so if it's having you (Exhibit Number 591 was marked for identification.) purchase -- if it's having to pay a higher BY MR. STUEVE: purchase price for those members than the sales Q. Show you what's been marked as price to the foreign customer, there's going to Exhibit 591, it's Bates range RAFKS 0011622. be a loss incurred by all USEM members who are Would this have come from your files, sir? asking USEM to make their purchases; correct? A. Yes. From the sales office. MR. MONICA: Object to the term Q. And it's dated up here, August 29, loss, counsel. 2012; is that right? THE WITNESS: Yeah. I don't agree A. Yes. with that. 11 11 BY MR. STUEVE: Q. And it lists in the second 12 12 paragraph there that your percentage share of 13 13 the second export order is 18,034 cases based on (Exhibit Number 592 was marked for 14 information from your most recent membership 14 identification.) 15 15 agreement, this makes your total for 200 load BY MR. STUEVE: 16 16 export to be 36,068 cases. Did I read that Q. Show you what's been marked as 592 17 17 correctly? and the Bates range for 592 is UE 1028004 18 18 A. Yes. through 15. The first page is redacted; is that 19 19 Q. Then at the bottom, it says, for correct, up at the top it says redacted? 20 20 those requesting UEP to purchase their A. Yes. 21 commitment in the open market, you will be Q. Okay. I want you to turn to the page that has the last two digits 10. invoiced the difference between sale price of

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691 693 Actually, if you could turn to 14, Yes. I do. you'll see a reference to the August 12th sale, Who would have purchased those 200 containers. It says Rose Acre 23716014. eggs? Its allocation of that export is A. Those eggs would have been 22.5427 percent; is that correct? purchased by USEM. A. Yes, I'll state again I haven't Q. Okay. But sitting here today, you just don't recall having a percentage of the seen this, but on this document it says 22.5427 loss number of 192,628 being allocated to Rose for Rose Acre. 9 Q. Up at the second -- the highest Acre? 10 10 percentage is Cal-Maine at 27.311; is that MR. MONICA: Object to the form of 11 11 right? the question. 12 12 A. Yes. On this document, 27,3111. THE WITNESS: No. You asked me if 13 13 Q. Then after Cal-Maine and Rose I lost -- no. We did not. 14 14 Acre, there's a substantial drop off; correct, BY MR. STUEVE: 15 15 Q. Do you remember being allocated a sir? 16 16 A. The next one on this document is percentage of the loss of 192,628 by USEM? 17 17 6.2643. MR. MONICA: Objection. 18 18 Q. In fact, between Cal-Maine and THE WITNESS: Can you repeat the 19 Rose Acre, almost 50 percent of the export is question, please? 20 20 being allocated to Rose Acre and Cal-Maine; BY MR. STUEVE: 21 21 correct? Q. Sir, let me ask it this way. 22 22 Do you see on this document that A. Yes. 49.8 percent. 692 694 Q. And on this one, it indicates that was produced to us by UEP USEM, it says that the you all requested that USEM purchase 14,198; is percentage of the loss allocated to Rose Acre is 192,628. Do you see that? that correct? MR. MONICA: Object to the form of MR. MONICA: Objection. THE WITNESS: I see under the the question. Mischaracterizes the document. THE WITNESS: Could you repeat it, column percentage of loss, under Rose Acre it please? shows 192,628.09. BY MR. STUEVE: BY MR. STUEVE: Q. Do you see the -- let me ask you Q. Do you have any reason to doubt 10 10 the accuracy of this document, sir? 11 Do you see the 192,628 under that 11 A. The accuracy -- I've never seen it 12 12 percentage of loss for Rose Acre? before. I don't even know who put it together. 13 13 A. Yes. I see that number. Q. Okay. Do you recall USEM 14 Q. Do you recall incurring a loss of 14 notifying you with respect to the percentage of 15 15 192,628 in August of 2012 to participate in an the loss being allocated to Rose Acre of 192,628 16 16 export for USEM? for its purchases? 17 17 MR. MONICA: Objection. MR. MONICA: Objection. 18 THE WITNESS: No. I don't. THE WITNESS: I don't agree with 19 19 BY MR. STUEVE: the statement, percentage of loss. 20 20 Q. You don't -- do you remember BY MR. STUEVE: 21 21 having to purchase eggs to fulfill that Q. Do you know what that number 22 requirement? reflects, sir, the 192,628?

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695 697 A. Do I know what the number percentage loss to Rose Acre that we just looked reflects? Q. Uh-huh. A. Which one? A. I think it reflects -- without Q. The one we just looked at. talking to whoever prepared the document, my MR. MONICA: The one produced by thought would be it reflects a dollar amount United Egg. THE WITNESS: By? that they had to go out and buy eggs. BY MR. STUEVE: Q. You don't believe it's the 9 difference between the amount they had to buy Q. It would be Exhibit 592. 10 10 the eggs for on the open market and what they A. No. They did not. 11 got paid by the customer who was purchasing the Q. I'll show you what's been marked 12 12 export? as Exhibit 563. This has previously been 13 13 A. Yes. It could be that. marked. 14 14 MR. MONICA: Can we go off the Do you recall reviewing this 15 15 record for one second? document in preparation for your deposition 16 16 MR. STUEVE: Sure. today? 17 17 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time is A. No. I did not. 18 18 Q. And with respect to 563, if you 3:20 p.m. We are going off the record. 19 (A brief recess was taken.) could, it is dated November 25, 2002? 20 20 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time is A. Yes. 21 21 3:30 p.m. We are back on the record. Q. And it says, it was the opinion of 22 22 BY MR. STUEVE: the Marketing Committee that with 213 million 696 698 Q. If you could look at 517, topic layers now enrolled in the program, and this 22H. You were designated on behalf of Rose Acre representing nearly 100 percent of the shell to testify about your profits or losses from eggs needed to supply the shell egg markets, each USEM export sale? that the quote should now be considered as an animal care certified quote. Do you see that? A. Yes. Q. Is it fair to say based on your A. Yes. I do. prior testimony, you did not review your USEM Q. Do you remember that being export file or any other file to prepare you to discussed at the Marketing Committee in 9 respond to 22H? November 2002? 10 10 MR. MONICA: Objection. A. I don't specifically remember. 11 11 THE WITNESS: No, because I don't No. 12 12 have any USEM file that I could review that is Q. And, if you would, on the last 13 13 going to tell me exactly the proper loss. We page of Exhibit 563 -- excuse me, second to last 14 don't track that on USEM export sales. I 14 page, it lists you as a committee member 15 15 wouldn't have any documents that would show participating in the call on November 22nd? 16 16 that. A. Yes. It does. 17 17 BY MR. STUEVE: Q. And then it also says in the next 18 Q. Did you talk to Mr. Rust in paragraph down, that the committee further 19 19 preparation for 22H? recommended to UEP members and certified 20 20 A. No. I did not. companies that all animal husbandry certified 21 21 Q. And your counsel did not show you, companies only purchase eggs from other for example, the document that listed the certified companies for their marketing of shell

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699 701 eggs. Do you see that? BY MR. STUEVE: A. Yes. I see that. Q. Okay. Now, if you would, on 517, Exhibit 517, that's the Notice? Q. Do you remember that being discussed at the November 22nd Marketing A. Oh. Committee meeting that you participated in? Q. If you would, if you could turn to A. No. I don't. topic 32. It says, any communications between you and any attorney regarding the legality of Q. And this does not refresh your your activities under Federal or State antitrust recollection? 9 A. No, sir. laws. Do you see that? 10 10 Q. Show you what's been marked as A. Yes. 11 11 Q. I believe Mr. Hinton has been Exhibit 185. This is a December 2nd, 2002, 12 United Voices, so this would have been shortly 12 designated for that topic; is that correct? 13 13 after the November 22nd Marketing Committee MR. MONICA: He's been designated, 14 14 meeting that you participated in; is that but he's going to be instructed not to divulge 15 15 correct, sir? any discussions with counsel. You've been A. Yes. designated, but don't divulge the content of any 17 17 Q. And if you would, if you could conversations when counsel for Rose Acre was 18 18 turn to the Bates range 21, the last two digits, present, but you've been designated to say that. 19 19 it's the third page? BY MR. STUEVE: 20 20 A. Which page? Q. Let me ask you this. You got an 21 21 Q. The bottom two digits are 21. instruction from counsel. Let me ask you a 22 A. Okay. question. What did you do to prepare yourself 700 702 Q. It states, the UEP's Marketing for topic 32? Committee met via conference call on A. It would just be my knowledge. November 22nd and made the following Q. And do you have any knowledge recommendation to all UEP members and animal concerning the legality of any of the activities care certified companies. It is recommended we've been talking about today? that all animal husbandry certified companies MR. MONICA: Caution the witness, only purchase eggs from other certified you can answer that, but if your only knowledge companies for their marketing of shell eggs. Do comes from conversations with counsel, instruct vou see that? you not to provide that information. 10 10 THE WITNESS: Okay. Then I --11 Q. And that would be consistent with 11 MS. REDDING: Also, what time 12 12 what was reflected in Exhibit 563 that we just period are you talking about? 13 13 read; is that correct, sir? BY MR. STUEVE: 14 MR. MONICA: Objection. 14 Q. Go ahead and answer my question. 15 15 THE WITNESS: It's stating the A. Could you repeat that, please? 16 16 same thing, yes. (The record was read as 17 17 BY MR. STUEVE: requested.) 18 18 Q. This would have been disseminated, MR. MONICA: You can answer that, 19 United Voices, to all UEP members? 19 subject to my prior instruction. 20 20 MR. MONICA: Objection. THE WITNESS: I --21 THE WITNESS: I don't know that BY MR. STUEVE: Q. You look confused. Let me ask it for a fact. I mean, I received it.

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1	this way.	1	plants are Wabash Valley Produce, Brown Produce
2	Do you have any information	2	Company and Ballas Egg Products, all separate
3	concerning the legality of the conduct that I've	3	corporations, none of these entities own
4	been asking you about the last two days,	4	production. Do you see that?
5	separate and apart from advice that you've	5	A. Yes.
6	gotten from Mr. Monica's firm or any other firm	6	 Q. Do you remember reading that at
7	representing Rose Acre?	7	the time, sir?
8	MR. MONICA: Or any attorney	8	A. I don't remember reading this.
9	representing Rose Acre.	9	No.
10	BY MR. STUEVE:	10	Q. But you don't sitting here
11	Q. Yeah.	11	today, you don't you can't confirm you would
12	A. No.	12	have received it?
13	Q. And did you talk to anyone else at	13	A. No. I told you earlier, I recall
14	Rose Acre concerning topic 32 to prepare	14	the document. I just don't remember exactly
15	yourself for topic 32?	15	reading that.
16	A. No.	16	Q. I'm sorry. I said received it.
17	(Exhibit Number 593 was marked for	17	You can't confirm you received this
18	identification.)	18	communication?
19	BY MR. STUEVE:	19	A. Yes.
20	Q. Show you what's been marked 593,	20	Q. Okay. This does not refresh your
21	and this is Bates range RAUPDATE 0013665 through	21	recollection after reviewing it, as far as
22	66. Did you review this document in preparation	22	whether or not you had any communications with
	oc. Dia you review the document in preparation		whether of not you had any communications with
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1	for your testimony in response to topic number	1	anyone else about it after receiving it?
2	32?	2	A. No.
3	A. No.	3	(Exhibit Number 594 was marked for
4	Q. If you would, at the top, it's	4	identification.)
5	August 6, 2007 communication from Larry Seger to	5	BY MR. STUEVE:
6	you and Aaron how do you pronounce his name	6	Q. Show you what's been marked as
7	again?	7	Exhibit 594, and it's RAFKS 0013293 and up at
8	A. Heironimus.	8	the top it's an e-mail from Phyllis Blizzard to
9	Q. Heironimus. Both of you were from	9	you; is that correct?
10	Rose Acre; right?	10	A. Yes.
11	A. Correct.	11	Q. Dated September 17, 2012?
12	Q. And then copied on there are	12	A. Yes.
13	several other folks, including Marcus Rust; is	13	Q. It's an e-mail chain starting with
14	that right?	14	Phyllis Blizzard down below; right? At the
15	A. Yes.	15	bottom half of the page is an e-mail from
16	Q. And do you recall receiving this	16	Phyllis Blizzard?
17	communication?	17	A. Yes.
18	A. I vaguely remember it. Yes.	18	Q. And then there's an e-mail from
19	Q. And what do you recall about it?	19	you saying, Phyllis, what can you buy for us and
20	A. Just I remember receiving it.	20	at what price; is that right?
21	Q. Okay. Now, in the second	21	A. Yes.
	paragraph, it says, our three egg breaking	22	Q. And then it says, Greg, I was
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707 709 wrong on the amount of purchase loads outside of A. No. That's not correct. USEM, I was figuring that on 100 loads instead Q. Let me rephrase it. This is an of 200 loads. You could probably buy all of e-mail that's dated January 31, 2007; is that yours if we could find someone to pack them. Do correct? you see that? A. Yes. A. Yes. Q. Okay. And it's from Marcus Rust Q. And then it says, USEM is required to Gene Gregory? to have a minimum of 50 percent packed by USEM A. Correct. members. Do you see that? Q. Okay. I'm getting tired, too. 10 10 A. Yes. It's subject, USDA Program? 11 11 Q. Did you have any understanding as A. Correct. 12 12 to why that was a requirement? Q. Now, were you aware at this time 13 13 A. Not an understanding why it was a that Sparboe had left the UEP certified program 14 14 and was attempting to develop its own verified requirement. No. 15 15 Q. Did USEM purchase eggs for Rose animal welfare program? 16 Acre in September of 2012 to fulfill their A. I was aware that Sparboe had left 17 17 export commitment? the program. Yes. The exact timing, I can't 18 18 A. I'm sorry, can you repeat that? remember the exact timing, but, yes, I remember 19 19 MR. STUEVE: Why don't you read it 20 20 back. Q. And it says, Gene, after hearing 21 21 (The record was read as Vic's comments? Who is Vic referring to? 22 22 requested.) MR. MONICA: Objection. 708 710 MR. MONICA: Objection. You can THE WITNESS: If this, in fact, answer. is -- like I said, I've never seen this e-mail THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. Could before. If Marcus Rust would be referring to you read it one more time? I apologize. Vic, I would think it was Victor Rigterink. (The record was read as BY MR. STUEVE: requested.) Q. It says, Gene, after hearing Vic's MR. MONICA: Objection. comments after talking to USDA, the verified THE WITNESS: Yes. process is a done deal. Our only chance in 9 BY MR. STUEVE: stopping is to going to be through FMI or 10 10 (Exhibit Number 595 was marked for Wal-Mart/Kroger approach. Do you see that? 11 identification.) 11 A. Yes. 12 12 Q. Show you what's been marked as Q. Were you involved in an effort to 13 13 Exhibit 595, and the Bates range is RAUPDATE reach out to FMI or Wal-Mart to get them not to 14 0040047. Do you know from whose files this Rose 14 use or to purchase Sparboe eggs that would be 15 15 Acre document -- the document Bates stamped Rose verified under the USDA process? 16 16 Acre came from. MR. MONICA: Objection. Compound. 17 17 A. No. I don't. Calls for speculation. Assumes facts not in 18 Q. It's an e-mail from Gene Gregory evidence. You can answer. 19 19 to Marcus Rust in January of 2007; is that THE WITNESS: No. I did not. 20 20 BY MR. STUEVE: 21 21 A. No. Q. Were you aware of the discussion 22 Q. I'm sorry. by Marcus Rust at this timeframe that the only

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711 713 chance of stopping is going to be through FMI or extent that any of your knowledge comes from Wal-Mart Kroger? conversations with counsel, do not disclose MR. MONICA: Same objection. that, but go ahead and answer the question, THE WITNESS: No. I'm not. please. BY MR. STUEVE: THE WITNESS: I have -- I've not done anything to prepare. I didn't know what --Q. Then it says, we lost business in Chicago last week for \$0.80 a dozen pricing to I didn't quite understand it and don't know what Sparboe. In January of 2007, who would that it means. 9 have been? BY MR. STUEVE: 10 10 MR. MONICA: Objection. Q. It's fair to say you did not meet 11 11 THE WITNESS: I don't know. with anyone at Rose Acre in preparation of 12 12 BY MR. STUEVE: testimony with respect to topic 25; is that 13 13 Q. Was this document reviewed with correct? 14 14 you in preparation for today's deposition? A. Correct. 15 15 A. No. It was not. (Exhibit Number 596 was marked for 16 16 Q. If you could turn to topic 34. It identification.) 17 17 says the -- you understand you have been BY MR. STUEVE: 18 18 designated to testify on behalf of Rose Acre in Q. Let me show you what's been marked 19 response to topic 34? as 596, it's RAUPDATE 0071391 through 30. 20 20 A. Yes. All right. First of all, can you 21 21 Q. And what did you do to prepare tell me -- this is a Rose Acre, Inc. layer farm 22 yourself to respond to topic 34? budget summary, fiscal 2001 to fiscal 2006. Do 712 714 MR. MONICA: I'm going -- well, go you see that? ahead. THE WITNESS: There was nothing I Q. Do you know why this was prepared? knew that I could do to prepare. I have no Α. knowledge of what that is referring to. Q. Did you get a copy of it? BY MR. STUEVE: A. No. Not that I recall. Q. Are you aware, sir, that Rose Acre Okay. Was there a time period in has alleged that AWG and its members violate the the 2000s in which Rose Acre was considering 9 Kansas Restraint of Trade Act? making an initial public offering? 10 A. No. I'm not. A. Not that I know of. 11 11 Q. You weren't consulted about that? Q. Under topic 25, it's the principal 12 12 material facts which you allege support each A. No. 13 13 defense set forth in your answer. Do you see Okay. Do you recall from '99 up 14 that topic? 14 to the present, Rose Acre contemplating the sale 15 15 A. Yes. of its business? 16 16 Q. Were you designated on behalf of A. No. 17 17 Rose Acre to respond to that topic? Q. Have you seen this document 18 A. Yes. before? 19 19 Q. What did you do in preparation to MR. MONICA: Objection. Asked and 20 20 testify about that topic prior to today? answered. 21 21 MR. MONICA: Mr. Hinton, before THE WITNESS: No. BY MR. STUEVE: you answer that, you can answer it, but to the

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715 717 **EXAMINATION BY COUNSEL FOR ROSE ACRE FARMS** Q. Okay. If you would, over on 93, it has fiscal year '98 up through fiscal year --BY MR. MONICA: excuse me -- '98 and then it goes to '93 -- so Q. Mr. Hinton, I want to ask you a '93 through '98, it has the average per dozen, few follow-up questions. I'll try to be brief. if you go down about halfway down. Do you see I know you've been here two long days. We that? appreciate your work and opposing counsel may A. Yes. have some follow-up questions after that. Q. Does it appear to be the average If you will take Exhibit 517, price per dozen? which is the Deposition Notice and look at topic 10 MR. MONICA: Objection. 10 22I, please. 11 11 THE WITNESS: I don't know exactly A. Okay. 12 what that is without talking to somebody. 12 Q. You see topic 22I is the purpose 13 BY MR. STUEVE: 13 of USEM exports. Do you see that? 14 14 Q. Okay. We are done with our A. Yes. 15 questions, obviously reserving the right to come 15 Q. What is the purpose of USEM 16 back with respect to those topics that the 16 exports from Rose Acre's perspective? 17 witness was not prepared to testify about. 17 A. From Rose Acre's perspective, it's 18 MR. MONICA: Well, we encourage 18 twofold. One, it's a way of when there's 19 you to ask any questions you have because he was 19 surplus eggs, we don't have a market for in our 20 prepared for all of your topics. I will take a 20 regular channels in the US without the 21 five minute break and come back with my topics possibility of losing money in the breaking 22 for you. For those on the phone if you have 22 market or drying without knowing the known costs 716 718 questions after that, feel free to ask. I need when those eggs are sold, it's a way to remove a five minute break. the surplus we don't have another home for. MR. STUEVE: Do you still believe And the second would be at times there's just going to be a couple, so I can get to help when countries are in need they have a to Marshall. natural disaster or disease problem that it 6 MR. MONICA: Let's go off the helps other countries out to get them products record. when they need it. THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time is Q. Does Rose Acre make money off its 9 3:58 p.m. We are going off the record. USEM exports? 10 10 (A brief recess was taken.) MR. STUEVE: I object. The 11 11 MR. STUEVE: I want to go back on witness testified he did no investigation, 12 12 didn't know one way or the other. So I object. the record. I don't need it videotaped. 13 13 MR. MONICA: Are we going back on Lack of foundation. 14 right now? 14 MR. MONICA: Move to strike. You 15 15 MR. STUEVE: Yes. We don't need can answer the question, though. 16 16 THE WITNESS: We have made money the videotape. 17 17 MR. MONICA: No. We want him on. off USEM exports, but I can't tell you -- we 18 18 MR. STUEVE: That's fine. don't track the exact numbers for any profit or 19 19 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: This is the loss off an individual account like USEM or 20 2.0 start of media unit number six. The time is customers that I would have record of. 21 21 approximately 4:05 p.m. We are back on the BY MR. MONICA: record. Q. Next I would like you to turn to

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719 721 topic 20G in the Notice. Take a moment to read What was Rose Acre's approximate that, 20G. I'm going to ask you a couple number of layer hens in 2000, if you can recall? questions about it. A. I don't recall off the top of my A. Okay. Was Rose Acre aware and did it Q. What was it when you started ever participate in any industry or collective working in your current position at Rose Acre? MR. STUEVE: Objection. Vague as effort to decrease supply or raise the price of to time. eggs and egg products? MR. STUEVE: Hold on. I object. THE WITNESS: My current position 10 10 Lacks foundation on the part of this witness. as we established earlier was around 1992. The 11 11 number of birds in '92, I -- I don't recall the THE WITNESS: Okay. Speaking for 12 12 Rose Acres, as I stated earlier today, we -- our exact number of birds in '92 off the top of my 13 13 company policy is not to participate in flock head. 14 14 BY MR. MONICA: reductions or molt, early sell outs as it says 15 15 here, because of what I stated earlier that we Q. When you started to work for Rose 16 16 have our own breeder farms and hatcheries and Acre in the 1980s, do you remember how many hens 17 17 our pullet facilities, our layer facilities. they had? 18 18 A. Yes. I do. And we have to plan our schedules out on flocks 19 Q. How many? more than 18 months in advance so it would 20 A. Three and a half million. disrupt our schedule too much. 21 What do they have now? As far as the second part asking, 22 am I aware of anyone else, I don't have any We have capacity for 24 million, 720 722 direct knowledge of anyone doing that. just over 24. BY MR. MONICA: Q. Has it always been Rose Acre's Q. Did Rose Acre ever take part in stated and followed plan to increase the number any early or coordinated molt, to Rose Acre's of layer hens whenever possible? A. Yes. knowledge? A. No. Q. Is that, in fact, what's occurred for your tenure at Rose Acres? Q. Did Rose Acre ever make any A. Yes. It has. changes to its flock disposal or flock kill programs as a result of any coordination with MR. MONICA: That's all I have. 10 anyone else in the industry? MR. STUEVE: A few follow-up 11 A. No. 11 questions, Mr. Hinton. 12 12 Q. Did Rose Acre ever make a change **EXAMINATION BY COUNSEL FOR PLAINTIFF** 13 13 BY MR. STUEVE: to its chick placement or chick hatch program as 14 a result of any collective effort with any other 14 Q. You testified to two purposes that 15 entity in the industry? you claim that Rose Acre joined USEM. Do you 16 16 remember that testimony? A. No. 17 17 Q. Did Rose Acre ever reduce its A. Yes. 18 layers or hens in conjunction with any other Q. And we walked through document 19 19 entity in the egg industry? after document that confirmed the purpose that 20 20 Larry Seger understood, as chairman of the USEM, A. No. 21 21 Q. And from 2000 to present -- let's understood the purpose of the exports were. Do 22 you remember those documents? step back.

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723 725 MR. MONICA: Objection. A. I know from my knowledge on --Mischaracterizes the documents. Calls for Q. That's not my question. My question is what document would you look at? speculation. THE WITNESS: I guess can you MR. MONICA: Objection. repeat the question? THE WITNESS: It would be a couple BY MR. STUEVE: documents. We would look at the invoice price Q. Do you remember the document I we sold at and we would go back and look at our showed you that indicated Larry Seger, who is cost to produce at the time that they were sold. 9 the chairman of USEM, as well as UEP USEM United BY MR. STUEVE: 10 10 Voices documents that indicated that the purpose Q. Why wouldn't you look at what the 11 11 of USEM export was to reduce supply and boost market price would be if you could sell those 12 12 prices. Do you remember seeing those documents? eggs on the market? 13 13 MR. MONICA: Object to the form of A. That has nothing to do with it. 14 14 the question. You can answer. Q. Now, sir, you also said that one 15 15 THE WITNESS: I remember you of the purposes was to help countries in need, 16 16 showing me documents, and I remember me firmly is that your testimony for USEM exports? 17 17 stating I didn't agree with them. A. Yes. I did. 18 18 BY MR. STUEVE: Q. Which export are you referring to? 19 19 Q. Yeah. And the -- you identified A. The Mexico export. 20 20 -- you testified that you believe that Rose Acre Q. When was that? 21 21 A. 2012. And there was -- there was may have made money, quote, unquote, from USEM 22 22 exports. Do you remember that? another one that you didn't show me. 724 726 A. Yes. Q. The Mexico export, though, in 2012 Q. I asked you specifically whether was six years after you had joined USEM; is that or not you knew whether Rose Acre had profits or correct, sir? losses from USEM exports and you told me you had A. Five or six. Yes. no way of telling that. Do you remember that Q. Now, you testified that Rose Acre testimony? does not participate in early molts; is that MR. MONICA: Objection. correct? 8 THE WITNESS: I remember you A. That's not what I testified to. 9 asking me if we had losses. No. 10 10 BY MR. STUEVE: Q. What did you testify to? 11 Q. You told me you had no way of 11 A. Do you want to read back the 12 12 telling me that; right? question? 13 13 A. Without looking at the MR. MONICA: Read it back. 14 documentation; right. 14 THE WITNESS: What did I 15 15 Q. I also asked you whether or not testify -- I testified to what he asked. 16 16 you had gains. Do you remember that? BY MR. STUEVE: 17 17 A. No. I don't. Q. Does Rose Acre participate in 18 Q. What document would you look at to early molts? 19 19 determine whether or not Rose Acre ever made A. That's not a clear question. 20 20 money off of a USEM export? Q. Sir, does -- did -- it's also your 21 21 A. What document? testimony that Rose Acre did not participate in 22 Q. Yeah. flock disposal or flock kill programs; is that

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727 729 correct? that MR. MONICA: Objection. That is BY MR. STUEVE: not his testimony. Q. You also testified that Rose Acre THE WITNESS: That's not what I did not reduce its layers in conjunction with testified to. any other egg producer. Do you recall that BY MR. STUEVE: testimony? Q. You remember me walking through A. Yes. document after document concerning Q. In fact, Rose Acre has been a recommendations by the Marketing Committee at participant in the certified program since 2002; 10 10 the time you sat on it concerning early molts riaht? 11 11 and early kills. Do you recall that? A. Correct. 12 12 MR. MONICA: Objection. Q. And according -- nearly 90 percent 13 THE WITNESS: I recall documents 13 of the egg producers are participants in that 14 14 that you showed me. Yes. certified program; correct, sir? 15 15 BY MR. STUEVE: A. It's 80 -- I think I testified I 16 16 Q. All right. And you couldn't thought around 85 percent. 17 17 recall those discussions. Do you remember that? Q. And all of those certified 18 18 MR. MONICA: Objection. Misstates producers, they're audited to make sure that 19 19 his testimony. they increase the cage spaces required by the 20 20 BY MR. STUEVE: certified program; correct? 21 21 Q. Do you remember that testimony? MR. MONICA: Objection. 22 22 A. Repeat the question. THE WITNESS: They're audited to 728 730 Q. I showed you the documents and make sure they follow the program; correct. BY MR. STUEVE: asked you if you recalled the discussions concerning the recommended the early molts and Q. And according to Rose Acre's early kills and you testified you had no general counsel, as well as Marcus Rust, during recollection. Do you remember that? the time that Rose Acres participated in the MR. MONICA: Objection. certified program, it's reduced its flock THE WITNESS: You asked me if I population literally by the millions. Do you remembered being at these meetings and I said recall that, sir? MR. MONICA: Objection. nο. 10 10 BY MR. STUEVE: Mischaracterizes the document -- let me 11 Q. I asked you if the documents 11 finish -- objection mischaracterizes the 12 12 themselves refreshed your recollection and you documents you've shown the witness as well as 13 13 said no, as well; correct? Mr. Rust's testimony. You can answer the 14 14 A. Correct. question. 15 15 Q. Now, whether or not Rose Acre BY MR. STUEVE: 16 16 participated in those organized early kills or Q. Do you recall that? 17 17 A. I recall testifying earlier that early molts, Rose Acre benefited from those 18 organized early molts and early kills, did they ever since I've worked as Rose Acres since 1980 19 19 not, sir? that we have continued to increase our flock 20 20 MR. MONICA: Objection calls for size every year since I've been there. 21 speculation. Assumes facts not in evidence. Q. I asked Mr. Rust without the cage THE WITNESS: I can't agree with space reduction, what would Rose Acre's flock

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731 733 size be. And he testified it could be as high ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF DEPONENT as 30 to 40 million. Do you have any reason to doubt that testimony, sir? I do hereby acknowledge that I have read MR. MONICA: Counsel, I object. and examined the foregoing of the transcript of You haven't shown him the transcript of what my deposition and that: Mr. Rust was saying. You're just making the representation that was false. So you can (Check appropriate box): answer the question as to whether you know from he's telling you what Mr. Rust said. () the same is a true, correct and 10 THE WITNESS: I don't know what 10 complete transcription of the answers given by 11 11 Mr. Rust said. I had no discussion with him on me to the questions therein recorded. 12 12 that topic. 13 BY MR. STUEVE: 13 () except for the changes noted in the 14 14 Q. He's currently the chief executive attached errata sheet, the same is a true, 15 officer of Rose Acre; correct, sir? 15 correct and complete transcription of the 16 A. Yes. He is. 16 answers given by me to the questions therein 17 MR. STUEVE: I have no further 17 recorded. 18 questions. 18 19 MR. MONICA: Anyone on the phone 19 20 have any questions? 20 21 MS. REDDING: No questions. 22 MR. BURKE: No questions. 22 DATE **SIGNATURE** 732 734 CERTIFICATE OF NOTARY PUBLIC MR. MONICA: We're going to break real quick to try to get Greg Marshall in here, I, Paula G. Satkin, the officer before whom the so Pat can finish his depo and get on the road. foregoing proceedings were taken, do hereby MR. STUEVE: Mr. Hinton, I know certify that the witness whose testimony appears it's tough being in your chair. I'm just doing in the foregoing proceeding was duly sworn by 6 my job, and I appreciate your time. me; that the testimony of said witness was taken THE VIDEOGRAPHER: This concludes by me in stenotype and thereafter reduced to the video deposition of Mr. Greg Hinton on typewriting under my direction; that said behalf of Rose Acre Farms, Incorporated. proceedings is a true record of the testimony 10 There's a total of two volumes, consisting of 12 given by said witness; that I am neither counsel 11 11 media units. The time is 4:21 p.m. and we're for, related to, nor employed by any of the 12 12 going off the record. parties to the action in which these proceedings 13 13 (Reading and signature not were taken; and, further, that I am not a 14 waived.) 14 relative or employee of any attorney or counsel 15 15 (Whereupon, at 4:21 p.m., the employed by the parties hereto, nor financially 16 16 deposition was concluded.) or otherwise interested in the outcome of the 17 17 18 18 My commission expires November 14, 2015. 19 19 20 20 PAULA G. SATKIN Notary Public in and for the District of Columbia

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